

Naval Officer Falls From Express Train

WITHAM (Essex).

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Four hundred guests had been invited. The reception was to have been held in a Mayfair hotel. A Continental honeymoon was arranged.

SEEN IN MOONLIGHT

Then, Lieutenant Slater left London for Ipswich on an express train from Liverpool-street. As it thundered past Witham at seventy miles an hour he was thrown out and lay unconscious, sprawled across the other rails.

It was bright moonlight. The driver of a goods train following the express saw the unconscious man on the rails along which an up train was due.

The driver jammed on his brakes. Lieutenant Slater, his head severely injured, was taken to Chelmsford Hospital.

While doctors there prepared to operate, telephone calls brought the dying man's fiancée and mother hurrying to Chelmsford.

For four hours surgeons fought to save his life. For four hours mother and sweetheart waited together in a nearby hotel.

His mother, now Mrs. Borton, had travelled to Chelmsford with her husband, Air Vice-Marshal Borton, of Chelmsford, Kent.

In the late afternoon the two women were summoned to the hospital. The operation had been in vain. They stayed by his bed as the unconscious man died.

Lieutenant Slater's father, Mr. S. H. Slater, of Guildford, Surrey, is a retired Indian Civil Servant.

Just three weeks ago, he said, "I saw him off from this door. He was to be back here in four days."

"One thing I must do at once: I must go up and see Pat Adams, who should have been his bride."

Lieutenant Slater, attached to the depot H.M.S. Ganges, was due to start on leave.

His fiancée is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Adams, of Bourton-on-the-Water, Glos.

At his home in Palace Gate House, W., Air Vice-Marshal Borton, stepfather of Lieutenant Slater, said:—

"My stepson came here to say good-bye to me and his mother yesterday."

"We never thought that when next we saw him he would be dying in a hospital bed."

1. MOUSE RUNS UP BROKER'S LEG

A Mouse held up City traffic through Throgmorton Street, E.C., for five minutes. It raced out of the Stock Exchange, followed by the Stock Exchange cat.

The mouse ran for safety up the trousers of a stock-broker who was standing outside in the street.

A crowd made a ring round the broker while he took his trousers off. He eventually released the mouse—but the cat did not.

2. MOUSE RUNS UP LAWYER'S LEG

Mr. J. V. Roseman, a lawyer, is suing a cinema at Cleveland, Ohio, for £50 damages because, he says, a mouse ran up his trouser-leg while he was watching a picture.

He declared he was scratched and bitten, was unable to sleep that night.

George Formby Is Upset

A few words spoken during a "Listeners' Requests" programme of gramophone records in the National programme recently have upset comedian George Formby.

"We have had a number of requests," said the announcer, "for Mr. George Formby's 'When I'm Cleaning Windows.' But they are not yet clean enough for this programme. We will try to find one of his songs next week."

Said George Formby in London one night: "It is one of my most famous songs. If the man in the B.B.C. studio didn't like it he need not have mentioned it at all."



Typical of the 18,000 Italian families that have left their native land to colonize Libya is the Amadeo Maestri family, left centre, emigrating from their home in Pescara-di-Ferrara. Announcement that the government had chosen them caused much interest in the home court-yard, lower right, while Mama Maestri, lower left, got her identification tag. Top left, some of the 10 ships that carried the emigrants across the Mediterranean, to be greeted by Governor Marshal Italo Balbo, right centre, on arrival at Cirene. Top right, statue of Il Duce at Tripoli, waving the Sword of Islam. Colonists found homes and farms completely equipped, awaiting them. Families from same Italian towns are kept together.

"Pull Up Your Socks For The King!"

Renfrew (Ontario).

Said Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, to a group of children at Renfrew:—

"Children, I have a word for you. The King is coming, so I hope you will all brush your hair and pull up your socks, for the King is especially interested in children."

The King and Queen are to visit Canada and the United States next May.

COUNSEL SAYS THAT CHINESE EMBASSY REFUSED EVIDENCE

A COMPLAINT that the Chinese Embassy had pleaded a diplomatic privilege, and refused to give evidence in a case in connection with an alleged transaction concerning arms for China, was made by counsel at Bow-street recently.

Mr. G. Du Cann, who appeared for two of the three defendants, submitted at the close of the hearing that no stone should be left unturned to bring somebody from the Embassy to speak about Mr. Chou Tin Shu, who had been mentioned in the case.

"Justice cannot be done if the Chinese Embassy are going to shelter behind their diplomatic privileges in this way," he declared.

The three defendants, Frederick Willing, aged 50, a Dutch subject and metal merchant, of Tavistock-court, Tavistock-square, agent of Park-lane, W., and James Oil Herbert Willing, aged 24, metal merchant, of Dorset House, were all committed for trial.

All three defendants pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence.

The three were charged with having conspired between December 1, 1937, and May 30, 1938, with Chou Tin Shu and others unknown, to cheat and defraud M. Theodore Lafitte, stated to be manager of a well-known firm of Paris armament agents, of £7,250.

They were also charged with obtaining the £7,250 by false pretences and with attempting to obtain £4,000 from M. Lafitte by false pretences.

California Bananas Grown

Tulare, Cal. Possibilities of a new California fruit growing industry is that of bananas. John Rose has successfully experimented here with a tree that was 14 inches tall when he planted it 18 months ago, and is now 18 feet high, with a diameter of 18 inches and has already borne two ripened bunches of bananas.

Fiance Ran Club For Lonely

Dublin.

A MAN who was said to have ordered a suit for the wedding and worn it at the opening of a Lonely People's Club which he founded, was ordered to pay £150 damages for breach of promise.

Francis Behan, of Curzon-street, Dublin, was sued by Miss Margaret Gallagher, of South Circular-road, Dublin. Both are aged 35.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald, for Miss Gallagher, said that the couple began keeping company in 1929. About 120 letters had passed between them.

GUIDE TO MISGUIDED

"For some reason," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "Behan started a Lonely People's Club in Dublin and hoped to make money out of it."

"He subsequently ran excursions and organised dances for 'misguided lonely people' in the city."

In February of this year Behan handed Miss Gallagher a letter in which he stated he had met another girl on the previous June and they intended to get married.

Miss Gallagher, in evidence, said that Behan used his home as an office for Lonely People's Club correspondence.

Cotton Praises the Duke's Golf

Ashridge (Herts).

Henry Cotton, most famous golf professional in Britain, recently told the full story of the match in which he partnered the Duke of Windsor to beat two other crack players.

He described the Duke's game as he talked enthusiastically in his home at Little Gaddesden, near here.

"We played Mr. Max Aitken and Percy Boomer on the St. Cloud (Paris) course," he said, "in a four-all foursome. Mr. Aitken has a handicap of one, and Boomer is one of the finest players in France. The Duke played off 0."

"At the first few holes we did not do so well. The Duke was unruffled, however, and drove steadily."

"He has a good swing, and nearly every time he pitches well up the fairway. It is on his approach shots that he loses points."

"We were three down at the turn, but the Duke's good driving counter-balanced his weak points, and at the 13th we were all square. Slowly we forged ahead and won by one up. I went round in 69, and the Duke in 80."

"This was the first time I have played with him, but I saw that he is a really good player. I think that he should very soon have a handicap in low single figures."

Cocaine "Burned Hole In His Pocket"

DEFENDING, at Bow-street, London, W.C., recently, a twenty-nine-year-old hairdresser accused of possessing cocaine, Mr. R. E. Fearnley-Whittingstall said that it was a case of moral cowardice by a perfectly respectable man.

Classics Read By Younger Generation

London.

A lively controversy has been aroused in the Press by statements by Sir D'Arcy Thompson, Professor of natural history at St. Andrews, and Sir Charles Grant Robinson, Principal of Birmingham University, suggesting that the younger generation of students are unacquainted with the classics of English literature.

The Times to-day publishes the opinions of a number of librarians whose evidence, while not immediately relevant to the complaints of the eminent university teachers, do at least conflict with any idea of a general decline of public interest in the literary masterpieces of other

A short time ago the man, George McGowan, received by post from a man he had met in Paris a packet of cocaine, who suggested he should sell it and keep anything over £20.

For more than a week McGowan wandered about miserably, wondering what to do, the packet "burning a hole in his pocket."

At last he showed it to a man in the West End, and was arrested.

Magistrate Sir Rollo Graham-Campbell bound McGowan over.

In the case of Swift's "Gulliver's Travels"—one of the books mentioned in Sir D'Arcy Thompson's indictment—copies in the lending library of one London borough have each been borrowed more than 50 times in the past year while at Croydon it was reported to be in steady and constant demand.

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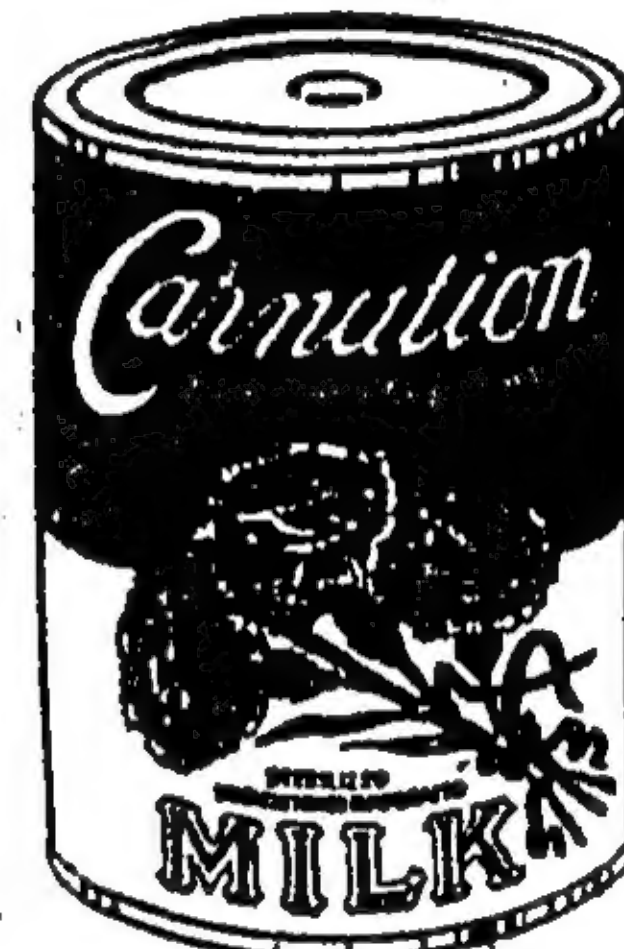
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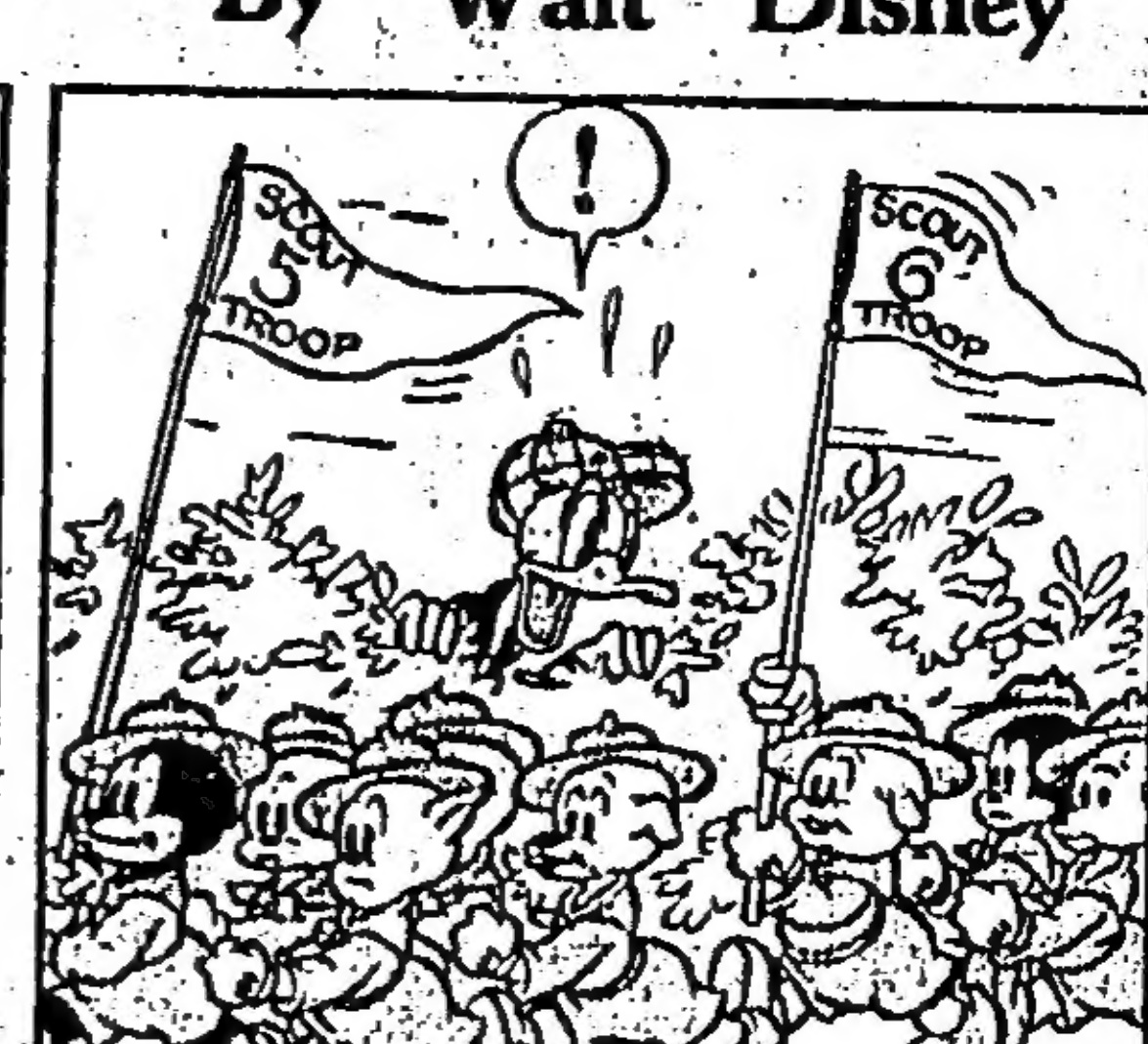
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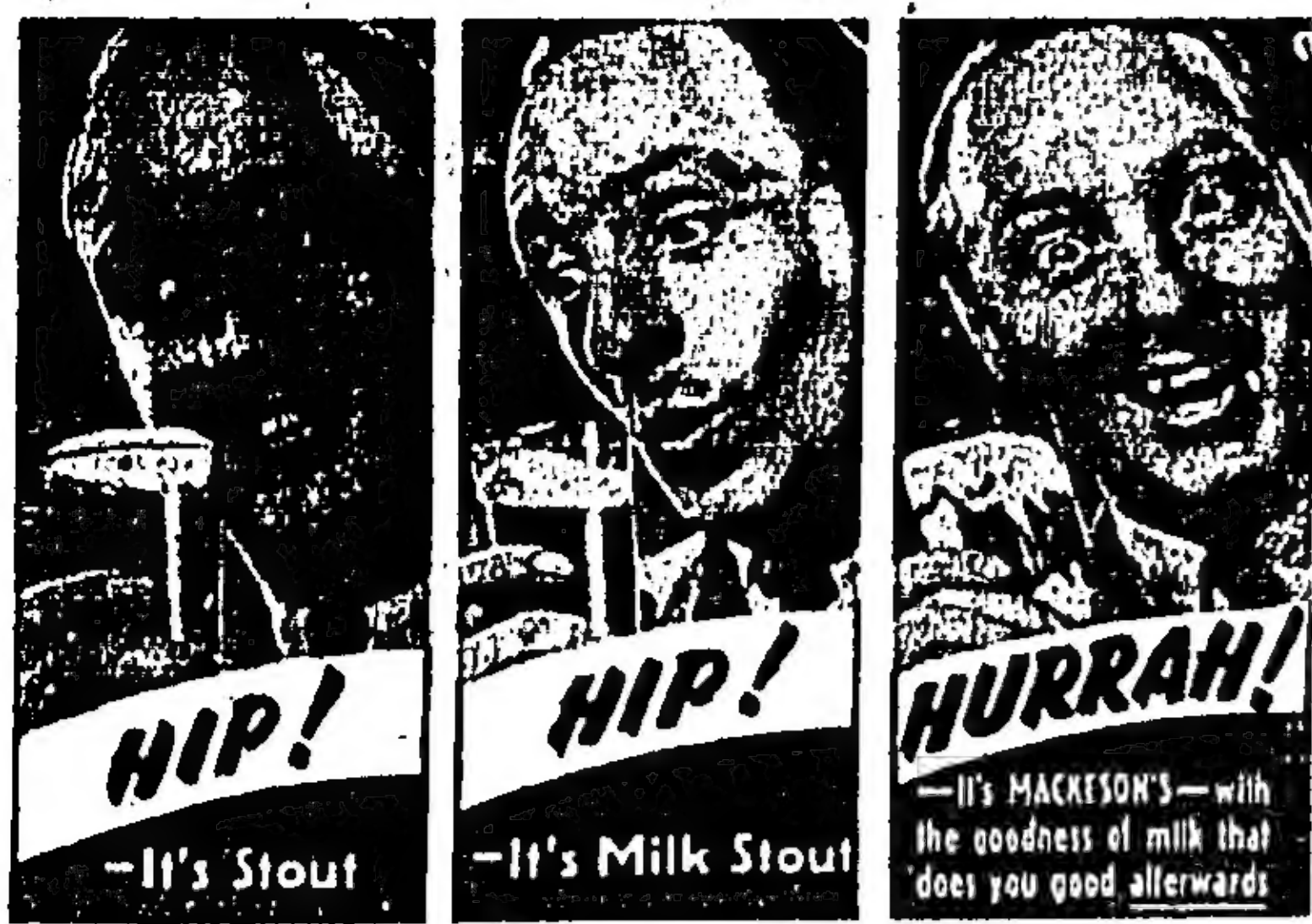
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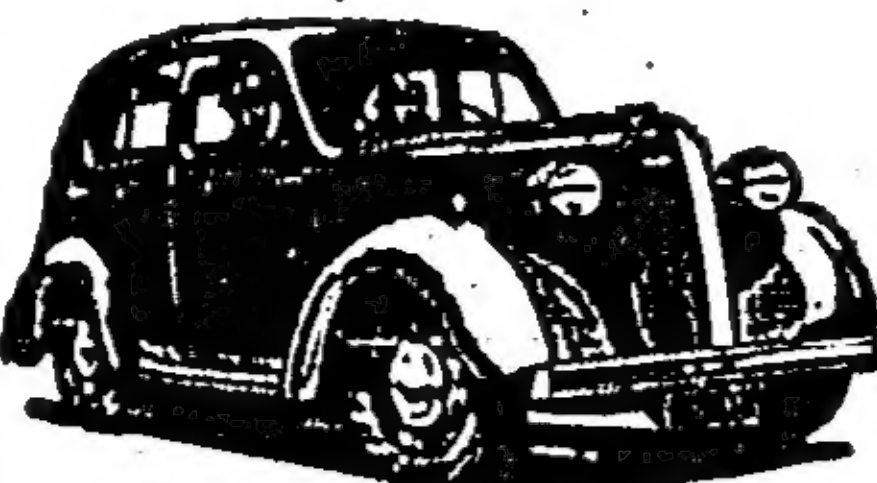
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Nonsense

WHAT A LOT of nonsense news agencies sometimes send us about international affairs!

Two European Powers, France and Italy, shout rude remarks at one another.

As a result, misguided people pull long faces and talk of war.

As if incidents like this are not always part of our present inadequate form of civilisation. We have had them in the past and will have them in the future. Worse incidents. Grave tension. And no war came of them.

Fashoda, for instance. "Encyclopaedia Britannica" tells you about it. A place beside the Nile, where British and French forces met in 1898.

France sought to link up her possessions in West Africa with those at the entrance to the Red Sea. And Kitchener hurried up the Nile to head them off.

Europe was filled with alarm. Nothing came of it. For Kitchener persuaded the French commander to evacuate Fashoda. Though some Frenchmen cried out against the "Pact of Shame", the tension passed away. And six years later Britain and France made an entente which included a complete settlement of their colonial differences.

The disputes which bulk so large one day fade away into nothing the next.

The air is always full of rights and wrongs.

When the Tunisia and Djibouti grievances die down we will find more waiting. There are lots of people in Europe who seem to want to say their piece, and thump the big drum. There is a queue of oppressed nations seeking sympathy.

When they have all had their say perhaps somebody will start to talk sense to that silly continent that is Europe.

It is time the nations there settled down to the job of deciding how they are going to live alongside one another instead of trying to live on top of one another.

Until the dawn of that happy day, we will still go on receiving expensive cables telling us about new crises and new wrangles.

Postscript

We haven't written an editorial about Wang Ching-wei. We do not intend to write an editorial about Wang Ching-wei.

That gentleman has already received too much free publicity.

Lady Drummond-Hay, who recently visited Hongkong, sends from London this absorbing article on

Defending This Empire

THE DICTATOR STATES, Italy the new Fascist Roman Empire and Nazi Pan-Germany, together with militaristic Imperial Japan, have been and still are openly gambling on the "Decline and Fall" of the British Empire.

As the New Year foreshadows The Shape of Things to Come, that is to me one of the most significant, certainly one of the most important factors looming on the horizon, which the diplomacy and power of Adolf Hitler, of Benito Mussolini and the ambitions of Japan want to weave into their pattern of the future.

Envious of the wealth and happiness of the free British peoples which is a constant reproach to their systems, covetous of British territories, somewhat intoxicated by sensational successes born in part of bold bluff, and in part of our own unpreparedness, the Fascist and Nazi regimes are deceiving themselves as to the real sentiment of the British people.

Our love of peace, admittedly sometimes expressed too vehemently, has occasionally been misinterpreted as a manifestation of nation-wide fear.

We in England did fear war, if by "fear" is understood a deep-rooted national revulsion against the folly and crime of war. But there was not then, there is not to-day, never has been "fear" to fight for country, Empire and all we hold dear.

The spirit of England is very much alive, even though we would rather talk of peace than of war. Those who take the absence of sabre-rattling and truculence as a sign of national cowardice will discover their mistake.

WE ARE YET too close to the picture to gain real perspective of the value of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's flight to Berchtesgaden in September, humbling his own pride, the pride of his high office, of the Empire and of the British people. We cannot see the evolving details in proper relation one to the other, nor can we judge the wisdom of the Premier in allowing Adolf Hitler the exaltation of that triumph and the consciousness of a victorious conqueror at Munich. What many people still overlook is the fact that aside from British prestige, Hitler's sweeping success in the Czechoslovakian crisis, no British interests were sacrificed at Munich.

Berchtesgaden, Godesberg and Munich however, have had an inevitable consequence and effect which should by no means be underestimated. That is loss of prestige. Small nations can afford to be indifferent to prestige. Not Empires or Great Powers. Prestige has for many decades been Britain's most influential factor, not only within the Empire but all over the world.

Berchtesgaden, Godesberg and Munich projected the world-wide question "Is the British Empire on the Decline?" Germans and Italians openly affirm it. Americans suspect it. German, Italian publications discuss it. The question is asked in letters I receive from America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Hongkong, India and Shanghai.

AN ENGLISHMAN, Robert Briffault, living in America, has given impetus to the thought and doubt with a sensational book just out, entitled "The Decline and Fall of the British Empire."

The author reflects such extraordinary prejudices against England, and goes to such lengths to prove his contention, that it is difficult to believe he can be by birth an Englishman. Some American newspapers interpret the forthcoming visit of the King and Queen to Canada and the United States next June in the light of a "Royal SOS to America"—that in effect, it is an appeal to America to "save the British Empire."

Some American commentators point to a possibility that England might fall under the domination of the Dictators, and go so far as to attribute President Roosevelt's gigantic rearmament programme to that idea, and America's isolation thereby.

One writer holds that "only a resurgence of the one-time national spirit of the 'Bull-dog breed' sweeping the Empire" can save Britain. Others maintain that Mr. Chamberlain is shrewdly playing for time for two purposes, to increase Britain's defensive strength, and to come to an understanding with America.

President Roosevelt, I have good reason for believing, is far from averse to such an understanding provided it is on a fifty-fifty basis. In view of the growing aggressiveness of the Dictator nations, an ever-increasing proportion of the American people are in favour of closer co-operation with Britain, despite the isolationist school of thought.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"It's a little annuity I took out for Junior—it'll make a nice nest egg when he grows up and needs bail."

possessions, provinces, colonies, mandates, dependencies and protectorates, not to mention those countries such as Egypt, Transjordan and Iraq, whose protection against foreign invasion is directly or indirectly guaranteed by Great Britain. In the above number I have not counted separately the innumerable Indian States.

British Naval strategy is indicated by no fewer than twenty-six Naval bases and stations. British Royal Air Force air bases and commercial aerodromes are scattered over a line eleven thousand miles long to far off New Zealand. Britain's peacetime military forces on land in this vast Empire number scarcely one-third of Germany's standing army.

That the Central Government in London in formulating policy, more especially in times of grave international crisis, is necessarily influenced by the advice of the Imperial General Staff and the Admiralty, and must take into consideration the strategic requirements on this, the longest "front" in the world, is obvious.

The problems of naval, military and air strategy for the Empire which from time to time confront the Admiralty and Imperial General Staff and its Chief, Lord Gort, whom I first met in China in 1927 when he was Chief of Staff of the British Expeditionary Force, are more difficult than those which any other nation is called upon to solve.

I WAS PARTICULARLY impressed with this thought when early this year (1938), I flew within sight of Malta, saw the Royal Air Force bases near Baghdad, and three days later chatted in Singapore with Major-General W. G. S. Dobbie, General

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tained an insight into Chinese psychology and mode of thought, which rendered him invaluable to the Government in an age when the majority of Europeans scorned such an accomplishment as beneath their dignity.

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T. Paul Gregory's Series on Old Hongkong

THE MAN WHO INTRODUCED PRISON REFORM TO THE COLONY

A likeable personality who served this Colony in an official capacity during the early days was Mr. Andrew Lysaught Inglis, Harbour Master and Marine Magistrate, but better known in old Hongkong as the "Governor of Victoria Gaol."

Mr. Inglis was a man of the loftiest humanitarian sentiments, and, on this account, could be remembered by residents of the present day; for it was entirely due to his efforts that the prison system of the Colony was remodelled so that prisoners were provided with suitable employment and that bane of every convict's life—idleness—was abolished.

MR. Andrew Lysaught Inglis was born in England about the year 1820. As there is practically no biographical matter available concerning his early life or family the exact date is not known. It is known, however, that he was one of the first European residents of the Colony as he arrived here in June 1843.

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G.M.C. HEAR AMAZING TALE OF DOCTOR AND MARRIED WOMEN

"Guilty" But Not Struck Off

AN amazing story of a married doctor and a married woman, in which allegations of blackmail were made, was told in London recently to the General Medical Council.

Dr. John Christopher Jones, of Glebe, South Yardley, Birmingham, was found guilty of "infamous conduct in a professional respect" by committing adultery with the woman, Mrs. Hesba Woodman, usually known as Mrs. H. M. B. Jones, of Washwood Heath-road, Birmingham, on March 6, 1934, while he was her medical adviser.

The council, however, decided not to erase his name from the medical register.

Mr. A. S. Pereira said the complainant in the case was Mr. Edward Jones, no relative to anyone in the case, but a lifelong friend of Mrs. Woodman and her family.

Mr. Pereira said that in 1922 or 1923 Dr. Jones was medical adviser at Portloe, near Truro, to Mrs. Blamey and her two daughters, Mrs. Puckey and Mrs. Woodman.

Mrs. Woodman, however, was then known as Miss Blamey—she had kept her marriage secret from everyone, even her mother.

In 1926 Dr. Jones was asked by the husband to attend Mrs. Woodman at her second confinement.

After this, according to Dr. Jones, she began to pester him.

Dr. Jones moved to Chatham and the Blameys followed him. Later he went to Australia for 2½ years, returning in 1931 to go into partnership with his brother in Birmingham.

A CRY

Giving evidence, Mr. Edward Jones said that at Chatham in his presence Dr. Jones tried to induce Mrs. Woodman to go to Australia with him, saying he was willing to leave his own family.

He had been paying Mrs. Woodman £1 a week.

In September 1932 he moved to Station-road, Birmingham.

Describing the scene on March 6, 1934, he said at lunch time he was in the kitchen and the children in the drawing room.

"Dr. Jones and Mrs. Woodman were in the dining-room. I heard her cry out and I went to the door. Dr. Jones was then about to come out of the dining-room door with the intention of leaving, but I stopped him."

"He said to me, 'Is this what you want?' put his hands up and attacked me."

"The children came on the scene. Mrs. Woodman was on the settee, crying."

"We had a fight, during which the sideboard capizet and some furniture was broken."

"The children screamed. They were very frightened. Eventually I escorted the doctor out of the door."

"When I saw him next I told him that I was tired of that method of treatment and it was time he put that sort of thing out of his head and let her live a decent life."

"His reply," said Mr. Jones, "was always the same: 'I love her and I want her to go away with me. I shall never be happy until she does.'"

"IN PUBLIC INTEREST"

Cross-examined by Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., for the doctor, Mr. Jones agreed that he was charging Dr. Jones with rape four and a half years ago, of which he knew at the time.

Mr. Roberts: You say you are bringing this charge for protection?—In the interests of the general public.

I suggest to you this charge is brought because Dr. Jones has refused to pay you and Mrs. Woodman any more money?—No.

I suggest that in the middle of October of this year you sent a message to Dr. Jones saying that you would withdraw the charge if he would resume payments?—This is the first word I have ever heard of such a thing.

Have you constantly used the threat of this tribunal as a lever to get money out of him?—I have never used that threat at all at any time.

Mr. Roberts: I have to suggest to you that you are a liar and a blackmailer.—I am not a liar, and I am certainly not a blackmailer.

Mr. Jones denied that before Dr. Jones went to Australia he (the doctor) sent Mrs. Woodman £100.

Mr. Roberts: On the occasion of this rape—March 6, 1934—was Mrs. Woodman screaming for you?—Yes.

Mr. Roberts produced two cheques from Dr. Jones made out in the name of Mrs. Jones dated 27-3-34 and 28-3-34, and were for £2 and £3.

Mr. Roberts: In addition to your threats to Dr. Jones, did you begin in 1933 also threatening his wife?—I have never spoken to her and I would not know her if I saw her.

Did you telephone her and ask her if she was interested in divorce?—No.

Mr. Roberts' last question was, "I suggest that none of your actions in this matter has been actuated by motives of public benefit; I suggest they all have been actuated by motives of blackmail."

"No, they have not," replied Mr. Jones.

"SAVED"

Mr. Pereira said he had been instructed by Mr. Jones that if the evidence of Mrs. Woodman, which would be of a painful nature, could not be given in camera, and unless she could be referred to as Mrs. Jones, and not as Mrs. Woodman, he would not allow her to be called.

The council refused the application, and so the case for the complainant closed.

In evidence Dr. Jones said Mrs. Woodman was always saying that she had saved him—meaning that she could have reported him to the council.

Mr. Roberts: Is there any truth whatever in this allegation of rape?—Absolutely none.

Asked to tell what happened on March 6, 1934, Dr. Jones, speaking with great emotion, said:

"I received telephone calls that Mrs. Woodman had gone away to commit suicide."

"These calls came repeatedly during the day and finally there came a call late in the evening, asking me to go there. I went. I believed when I went that it was true."

"Mrs. Puckey (Mrs. Woodman's sister) told me Mr. Jones had found her rushing about like a wild thing on the railway station and had brought her back."

VISIONS OF COURT

Dr. Jones faltered and sat with his head in his hands for a minute before continuing.

"I had visions she might have committed suicide. She might throw herself under a railway train. She might do away with herself."

"I had visions of a coroner's inquest, identifying the body and sort of obsequies which might be hurried against me."

"When she came I was terribly relieved to see her alive, and I went up to her, put my arms around her, feeling terribly grateful that she hadn't committed suicide. I held her tight, and she held on to me, and I committed adultery."

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"THE IRONY OF IT"

"I have come from prison to-day, and to prison I go back to-night."

Watson said: "What my reactions will be in prison to-night—whether different from what they have been before—depends on you, gentlemen."

"The irony of the thing is that the unfortunate person who was killed was a patient of my own. Since going to prison I have had letters from his wife and from his mother."

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Dr. Jones said after the complaint had been made to the G.M.C. Mrs. Puckey suggested it might be withdrawn if he resumed payments of 30s. a week.

Mr. Douglas Bartley (legal assessor): Were you the father of any of these children?—The only possibility is the third, and that seems to me to be extremely unlikely.

Mr. Roberts: You are not the father of the first or second?—Definitely not.

The council then gave their verdict after a short retirement.

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Pauline Neubronner and Cynthia and Rosalind, daughters of Mr. D. O. Silver, as they appeared in the Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, "Cinderella"—King's Studio.

G.M.C. Hear Widow's Plea For Doctor Who Killed Her Husband

BROUGHT from prison to appeal for his future career before the General Medical Council in London recently, Dr. David Davidson Watson, of Wakefield, serving a 20 months' sentence for manslaughter, read letters from the mother and widow of the man he killed.

The widow said: "I hope from the bottom of my heart you will be able to continue your good work among the sick."

The doctor pleaded that to be struck off the register "can only be equalled by imprisonment for life," but he pleaded in vain.

The Council ordered his name to be erased.

Watson was sentenced at Manchester Assizes in July for manslaughter by killing a cyclist as he drove a car while under the influence of drink.

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Divided Time Between Two Homes —Bigamy case Allegation

Said to have spent half the week with his wife and the other half with a woman he is alleged to have married bigamously, Henry de la Bertauche (50), caterer, of Allandale Crescent, Potters Bar, was recently at Clerkenwell committed for trial on a charge of bigamy.

Annie de la Bertauche, Allandale Crescent, said it was about two years ago that prisoner, whom she married at Islington in 1914, began spending only three days a week at home.

"When her husband was in hospital the other woman came to make inquiries about him. 'I asked him if it was true that he was married to the other lady. He said 'Yes.'"

Esther Parker, a cleaner of Liverpool Road, Islington, was called. "Have you been living with anyone?" she was asked.

"My husband, of course," was her reply, with a nod towards the dock. "On certain days he goes to work all night," she explained.

"You are, in effect, being asked to-day to sentence me a second time for the same offence," he declared.

He produced a number of letters. One from the Mayor of Wilton stated that Watson's present punishment was severe and that he sincerely hoped that he might have the opportunity of assisting him.

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SCIENTISTS' NEW HOPES IN FIGHT WITH CANCER

IN a laboratory barely out of earshot of the Oxford Street traffic three young research workers have laboured for five years to study the effect of massive quantities of radium on cancer.

An important advance in the campaign against cancer may be announced in the report on their first four years' work to be published by the Medical Research Council in about a fortnight's time.

This was hinted recently by Sir William Bragg, president of the Royal Society, who declared that the research had proceeded "with no little success."

The three workers are Miss Constance A. P. Wood, radiologist at King's College Hospital; Dr. T. Anthony Green, assistant radiologist, who came to this country from New Zealand; and Mr. L. G. Grimmett, physicist, who installed the original radium plant at Westminster Hospital.

They have worked in co-operation with Dr. Roy Ward, medical director of the Radium Institute.

Research has been with a method known to scientists as "beam therapy," in which use is made of massive irradiation from a large quantity of radium.

First experiments on these lines were made just after the war with 2½ grammes of radium from the stock held by the Government for military purposes. The results were so discouraging that after 18 months the experiment ended and the radium was distributed among hospitals.

NEW COMMITTEE

Developments by Stockholm and Paris scientists indicated the need for further experiment with mass quan-

ties, and five years ago an investigation committee for Radium Beam Therapy was set up.

A large unit of radium was lent by Belgium, and work began with two five gramme "bombs" of radium. A year later another five gramme "bomb" was obtained.

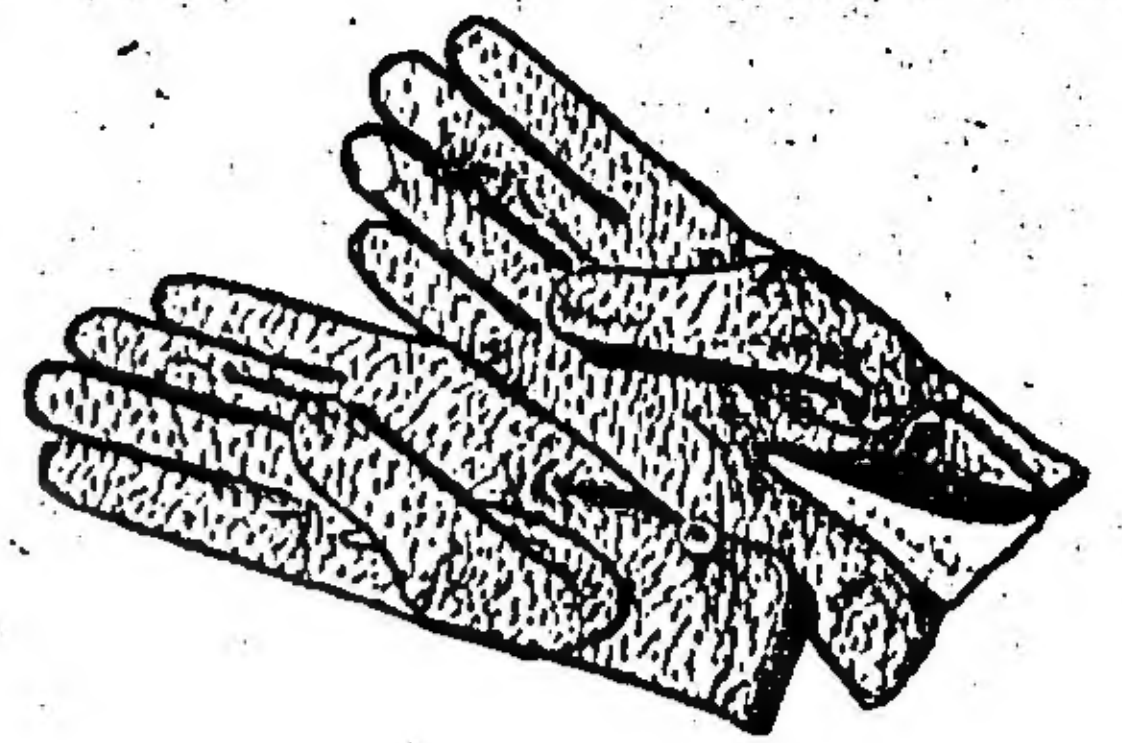
Attention was concentrated on the treatment of malignant conditions of the mouth, throat and upper air passages, and the Medical Research Council have recorded from time to time that the research was proceeding with encouraging results.

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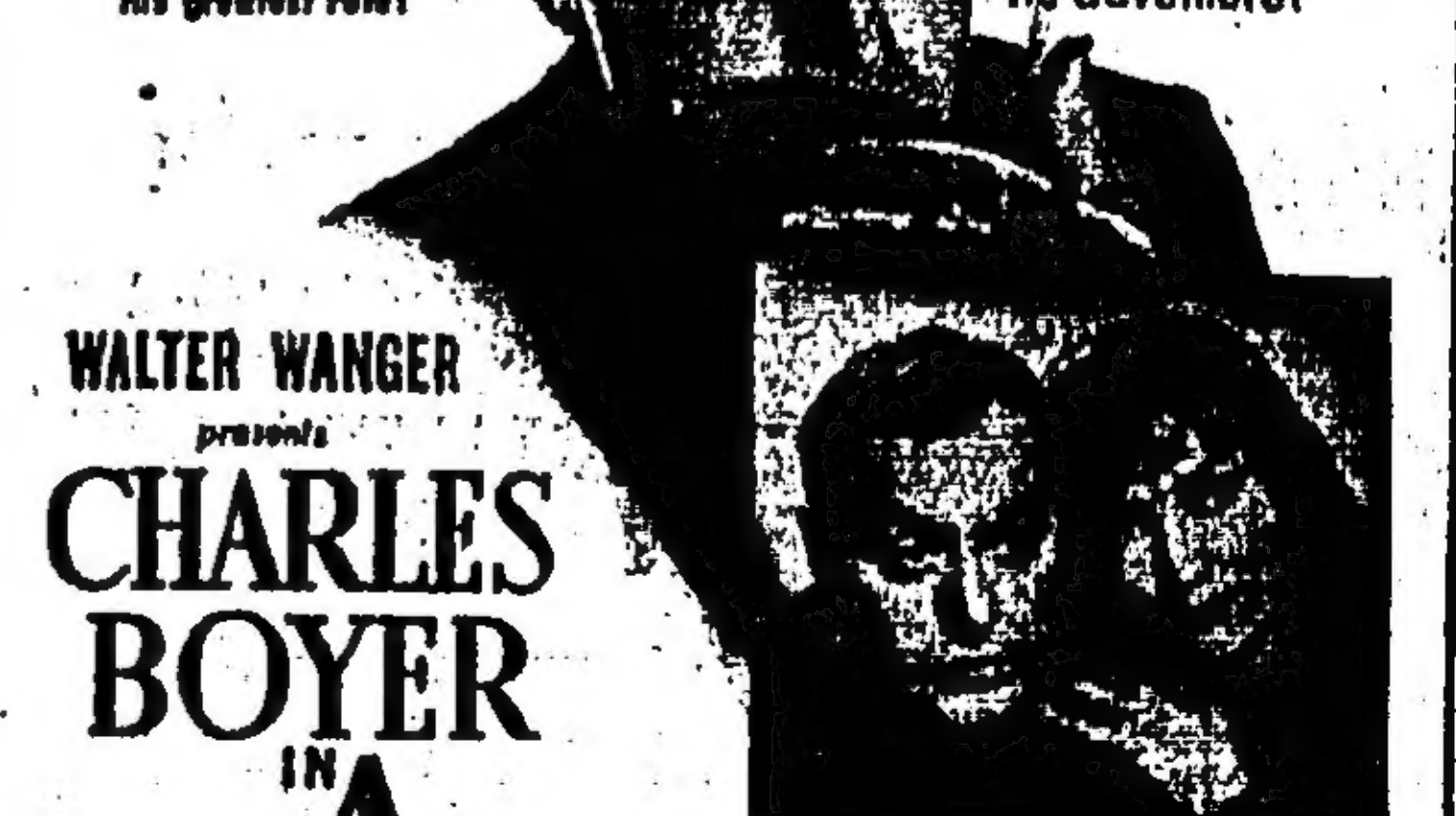
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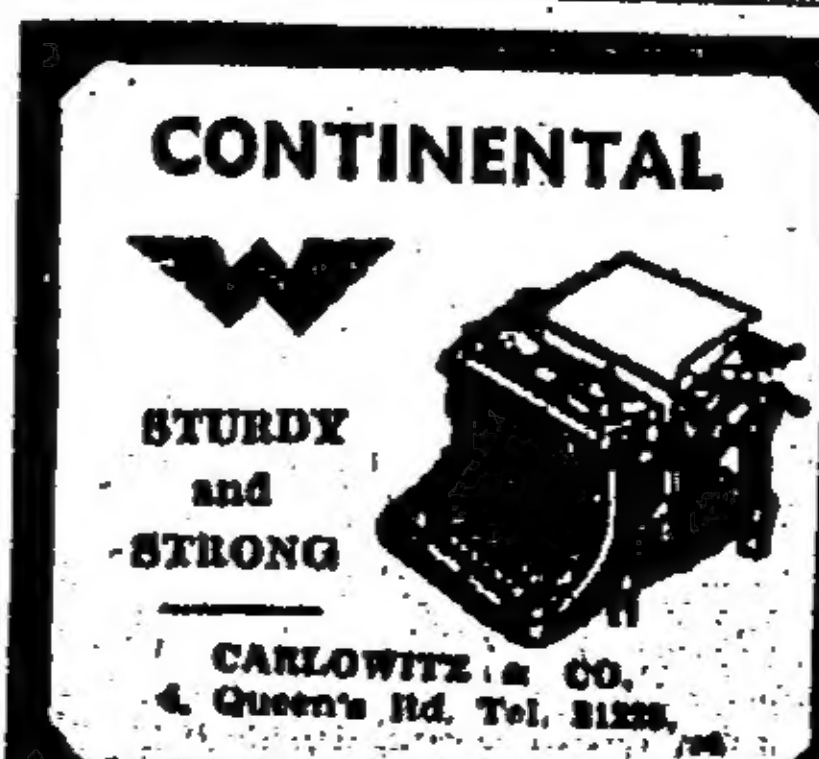
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NO HOPE OF COMING THROUGH!



WHAT A FINISH!—The poor chap in the middle is having a tough time getting through. The finish of one of the boys' races at the Children's Annual Sports held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on New Year's Day.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

Here And There With "Abe"

Better Umpires Needed For Junior Cricket

WITH the Junior League matches starting on Saturday, this is as good a time as other to bring up a point in connection with cricket matches in the Colony to which sufficient attention, I feel, has never been paid. I refer to the question of umpires for our League matches. While many senior teams take the trouble to bring along their own umpires, few junior sides do; and consequently the choice of officials in junior games generally depends upon who is present on the ground when an innings commences or what players are available to officiate—haphazard procedure which should not be allowed to continue in important matches. Everyone will appreciate that it would be most difficult for the League to supply umpires for every match; but at the same time, it is equally obvious to anybody who knows anything about the standard of umpiring in local junior games that something should be done in the matter. It is only fair to both batsmen and bowlers that greater discrimination be shown in the selection of umpires where points are at stake.

Captain's Duty

THERE are many cricketers here and elsewhere who do not believe in the League system. But the fact remains that we have a League competition in Hongkong, and this being so, it is only right that it be conducted properly. I am not suggesting that the League should come forth now and appoint two umpires for every official game. Of course, this would be the best step to take, and one of these days perhaps we will see it done; but at the present moment the next best thing would be for the captains either to follow the foot-steps of the senior skippers by having

their own umpires or seeing to it that the people they send out to take charge of a match know something about the laws of the game. A little pain taken in this matter at the start might save a great deal of embarrassment and even unpleasantness later on. It is all very well to say that an umpire's decision is final, but when one is given out by an umpire who obviously does not know much about the laws of cricket, one cannot help doubting the correctness of the decision.

Queer Decisions

FEW cricketers not playing in Junior cricket in the Colony realise how poor the standard of umpiring is. Only this season I have seen some very peculiar decisions given by umpires who obviously knew very little about cricket. Three weeks ago, I heard an "umpire" asking what the six chips in the umpire's gown were for! This same "umpire" knew nothing else except "middle stump" when a batsman wanted his guard and was completely mystified when "two-leg" was asked for. Subsequently, he gave two men out leg-before-wicket while he was standing closer to mid-on than to the stumps! There was another instance of an umpire who gave a man not out in the following circumstances: A batsman jumped out to hit a ball and missed it; the ball also beat the wicket-keeper and he was allowed to first slip, who promptly threw down the wicket with the batsman still out of his crease. An appeal, of course, was made and the umpire's verdict was "Not Out." His reason: the ball was dead! There was another classic example of ignorance of the rules which proved extremely amusing at the time to everyone except the batsman who had been given out l.b.w. only

ARMSTRONG FALL WAS BIG HOAX

Los Angeles, Dec. 23. "Homicide" Henry Armstrong revealed to-day why he caused the postponement of his bout with Cefelino Garcia of the Philippines Nov. 2 to Nov. 25.

The Negro welterweight and lightweight champion said he knew he was not in condition when he finished training for the welter title bout with the Filipino "bolo puncher."

Knowing he could not give a fight that would satisfy the fans, he "took a couple of good heavy falls in front of several witnesses" to cause postponement of the bout.—United Press.

the over before. When he got back to the pavilion, he maintained that the ball was outside the leg stump at the time it hit his pads, and muttered something to the effect that the umpire did not know what he was doing. His team-mates merely laughed, thinking that it was just the complaint of a disgruntled batsman; but in the next over from the same end, the umpire was seen frantically signalling a wide after the batsman had hit the ball! The umpire was hazy about the rules after all.

Worth The Trouble

THESE are only a few examples of the sort of thing which junior cricketers have to contend with here. All these would not have arisen if the captains had shown greater discrimination in the choice of umpires. Judging by the results of matches played during the present season, junior teams seem to be fairly evenly-matched and competition is certain to be very keen. In the circumstances, extra care should be taken that decisions given are as fair as can be: it would be extremely unfortunate if the decisions were allowed to affect the result of any League game. To avoid this, captains ought to pay a little more attention to the question of umpires. The trouble is worth it.

Snookey Record

TO settle all arguments regarding "snook" is a record break at snooker? I have elicited the official views of Mr. J. C. Bisset, chairman of the Billiards Association and Control Council, writes Geoffrey Simpson.

He agrees that the maximum possible under all normal circumstances is 147, that being 15 reds, 15 blacks, and all colours up to the black.

"But it is just conceivable," he pointed out, "that a player might score a break of 155. If one player committed a foul and left the next player could then pot a colour (counting as a red) and the black, and proceed to collect the 147 in addition. In the event of such a thing happening, we should have to recognize it as a record break of 155."

Standard

TO settle another argument, all world record breaks have to be made on standard-size tables. The difference in pocket aperture between the official standard table and some club tables is often quite small, but an eighth of an inch can make a vast difference to a first-class professional.

Joe Davis's new world's record of 138, made recently was accomplished on a standard table, and the table has already been officially measured.

One More Attempt

WALTER Hagen, four times winner of the British Open Golf title, does not intend to retire until he has had at least one more shot at the championship.

At the age of 46 the famous American golfer was said to be contemplating retirement but he said that he was keenly anticipating a trip to Britain next year.

Hagen, who is reputed to have earned £50,000 during his 25 years' golfing career, added that all he hoped for was a "break" in the weather. "I'm bound to get one before I put away my clubs," he said.

SECOND CRICKET TEST ENDS IN TAME DRAW AT CAPE TOWN

"THE PILGRIM" TAKES A HOLIDAY

As "The Pilgrim," our Hockey Correspondent, is on holiday, no Hockey Notes are being published to-day, nor for the next two Thursdays. "The Pilgrim's" next contribution will appear on Thursday, January 19.

Henry Cotton Asks £2,000 For Five Weeks' Golf Tour

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

London, Nov. 25. WITH a new four-years contract with Ashridge Golf Club in his pocket, and the way clear for him to travel abroad, Henry Cotton, the man of surprises, has given his fellow-professionals something else to bite on. He is requesting a payment of £2,000 for his proposed five-weeks tour of America.

You can imagine them saying "What! £2,000 for five weeks? Why—that's £400 a week for playing golf. What a nerve he's got!"

Even the American F.G.A., who are now cabling Cotton offering to arrange a playing schedule for him, are liable to be surprised. In the United States they are accustomed to their sporting stars setting the pace in the matter of fees, but here is a Britisher out-stripping them all.

Moreover, our Henry wants his expenses paid. "I think a fair remuneration for a five-weeks tour in the States would be £2,000 clear," he says.

"I shall be losing money, anyway, by not taking part in the early British tournaments—and then there's my work at Ashridge."

ENVOIOUS EYES. There is no doubt that the spectacle of Cotton pulling down £5,000 a year causes envious eyes to be cast from certain quarters. And the way things are moving for him, his income is going to make a further upward jump.

In a short while he starts a stage appearance at the London Coliseum at £300 a week. It will be a straight-forward golf show. He is expected to give a talk on golf technique and demonstrate different shots.

If you want to play a round with him at Ashridge it costs you £2, though I believe he accommodates club members at the cut rate of £1.

Money comes to him in other ways, so when he is invited to break into his routine for a job such as this American trip, he takes the attitude "My price is so-and-so. If you can't pay it, or don't wish to, then we won't bother each other further."

INDEPENDENT

Do you blame him? I don't. And if some of those who are so ready to attack his assessment of himself would only stop to think, they would realise that Henry Cotton is doing a great deal to raise the standard of the golf professional.

The Cotton methods pay. Though not at present the open champion, he earns more than any of his contemporaries.

He owns a house which cost £25,000, and eight acres of land. He is heavily insured, and by his attitude towards those in search of his services he has evidently reached the happy stage of being more or less financially independent.

And he is only 31.



Henry Cotton, who has been in fine form in nearly every raggy match played by the Navy this season, especially in the Ashridge Tournament.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

BADMINTON LEAGUE RESUMES

St. John's defeated St. Andrew's "B" by 9-0 in the "B" Division of the Badminton League last evening.

Scores:

F. H. Kwok and R. Beaven beat A. S. Bliss and J. Tomlinson 21-0, beat S. A. Broadbridge and P. H. Stokes 21-0, beat L. Gibson and S. Darby 21-10.

M. Smith and P. Wilson beat Bliss and Tomlinson 21-4, beat Broadbridge and Stokes 21-0, beat Gibson and Darby 21-1.

D. Kwok and S. Newman beat Bliss and Tomlinson 21-11, beat Broadbridge and Stokes 21-10, beat Gibson and Darby 21-1.

K. TONG v. V.R.C.

At Kowloon Tong last night, Victoria Recreation Club beat Kowloon Tong "B" by 5 games to 4.

N. A. E. Mackay and A. Chan (K. Tong "B") lost to T. Xavier and S. A. Rumjahn 15-21; beat W. Fisher and A. Ulrich 21-7; beat F. Castro and O. el Arcull 21-12.

J. A. de V. Soares and J. Taang (K. Tong "B") lost to Xavier and Rumjahn 13-21; beat Fisher and Ulrich 21-13; beat Castro and Arcull 21-12.

A. E. H. Castro and J. Taang (K. Tong "B") lost to Xavier and Rumjahn 3-21; lost to Castro and Arcull 6-21.

BRADDOCK-HARVEY BOUT NOT SETTLED

New York, Dec. 30.

Tex Sullivan, speaking on behalf of Joe Gould, manager of Jimmy Braddock, former world heavyweight champion, said yesterday that nothing whatsoever had been settled and the fight signed for the proposed contest between Jim Braddock and Len Harvey, the British champion.

"We called yesterday," Mr. Sullivan added, "demanding £25,000, free of tax, three return tickets and all expenses."

Mr. Armand Vincent, well-known promoter, who is sponsoring the bout, is said to be consulting his Board of Directors to-day.

The fight, if all arrangements work out satisfactorily, will take place at Earl's Court in London either on May 10 or 11.

It is Mr. Vincent's intention to match the winner with Tommy Farr, former holder of the British title.

A sensation was caused when announcement of the bout was made in London yesterday, as Braddock had told the world of his retirement some months ago, after defeating Farr.—Reuter.

HOCKEY TEAM ANNOUNCED

The following team has been selected to represent the "A" XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against H.M.S. "Hermes" on the club ground at King's Park at 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 6. The Club will play in white shirt.

H. F. Shields, L. F. Stokes, W. Schnabel, W. Brown, H. J. E. Lowe (Capt.), A. H. Fortius, G. D. Woolgar, W. Spence, E. F. A. Morgan, K. A. Blimand and I. P. Tamworth.

After the failure of the M.C.C. to dismiss the remaining South African wickets before lunch yesterday, the Second Test, played at Cape Town, fizzled out into a tame draw.

In reply to the M.C.C. total of 559 for nine wickets declared, the South Africans made 286 in their first innings, and in the follow-on, they had scored 201 for two wickets when stumps were drawn.

Cape Town, Jan. 4. The weather was glorious to-day when a crowd of only 500 saw Balaskas and Nourse resume the batting. The wicket was wearing slightly at the ends and promised to assist the spin bowlers, whom Hammond brought into action immediately.

Only one run had been added to the overnight score of 213 when Balaskas was caught at mid-off by Poynter off Verity's third over. Although he had scored only 29 he had been very aggressive and hit five fours.

Verity, who had been bowling very accurately had an analysis at this stage of one wicket for four runs in seven overs, five of which were maidens.

Nourse reached his century in 242 minutes, including a six and nine fours. He then became most aggressive and sent several to the fence. At lunch the score was seven for 283, Nourse having compiled 120 and Melville, who was batting with a runner, 20.

A crowd of 600 saw the resumption of the game and early disaster for with the first ball Verity got Nourse leg before. The ball hit Nourse's toe and he started to run for a leg-bye but the umpire upheld Verity's appeal. Nourse had batted for 200 minutes to gather his 120 and hit six sixes and 12 fours. Grand cutting and driving marked his batting.

The end came soon afterwards. Melville was bowled by Verity for 23 and Gordon was stumped by Ames from Goldard for a duck. The innings closed at 288 and South Africa followed on.

EARLY MISFORTUNE. The South Africans met with early misfortune in their second innings. Mitchell, who opened as usual with Van Der Byl, snicked the fourth ball of Farnes' second over, an out-swinging, into the hands of Ames after scoring only one run. The total was two.

After this, however, Van Der Byl and Rowan batted confidently. They hoisted the 60 after 60 minutes, and at tea they were still together with the score taken to 87 for one wicket. Van Der Byl had 47 to his name and Rowan 38.

Gibb, the Wiltshire and Cambridge player, kept wickets after the tea adjournment as Ames had a sore finger.

Van Der Byl was aggressive and reached his 50 in 91 minutes, having hit five fours.

The 100 went up after the South African innings had been in progress for 97 minutes.

Rowan also completed his 50, which had taken 103 minutes. At 140, a separation was effected, Van Der Byl having the misfortune to hit down his wicket whilst playing Godard. He had scored 87 runs in 139 minutes, his best shots being a six and nine fours.

Rowan and Nourse continued steadily until close of play, by which time the South African total had risen to 201.

Rowan's share was 89. He had

Australians Reject M.C.C. Proposal

Melbourne, Dec. 29.

The Cricket Board of Control to-day rejected the M.C.C.'s proposal to limit test matches in Australia to 30 matches. They welcomed, however, a suggestion to play five-day matches against England.—Reuter.

batted for three hours for his runs and hit seven fours. Nourse had 19. Scores:

M.C.C.

1st Inns. 559 (for 9 decl.)

S. AFRICA—1ST INNS.

B. Mitchell, b Wright 42
P. G. Van Der Byl, c Valentine, b Verity 37
E. A. Rowan, b Wright 6
A. D. Nourse, l.b.w., b Verity 120
A. W. Briscoe, l.b.w., b Goddard 2
W. W. Wade, c Edrich, b Verity 10
A. B. C. Langton, l.b.w., b Goddard 0
X. Balaskas, c Poynter, b Verity 28
A. Melville, b Verity 23
E. Gordon, st. Ames, c Goddard 0
E. Q. Davies, not out 0
Extras 17

Total 286

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Farnes	13	3	37	0
Edrich	5	1	15	0
Goddard	38	15	64	3
Verity	28	3	83	2
Wade	30	13	70	5

Fall of wickets:—1 (Van Der Byl) for 60; 2 (Rowan) for 79; 3 (Mitchell) for 151; 4 (Briscoe) for 160; 5 (Wade) for 170; 6 (Langton) for 177; 7 (Balaskas for 214, 8 (Nourse) for 283, 9 (Gordon) for 283, 10 (Melville) for 288.

S. AFRICA—2ND INNS.

Mitchell, c Ames, b Farnes 1
Van Der Byl, ht. wkt., b Goddard 87
Rowan, not out 89
Nourse, not out 19
Extras 5

Total (for 2 wks.) 201

Fall of wickets:—1 (Mitchell) for 2; 2 (Van Der Byl) for 149.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Farnes	8	1	23	1
Edrich	3	1	5	0
Verity	10	5	15	0
Wright	12	0	82	0
Goddard	11	1	68	1
Hammond	9	0	25	0

—Reuter.

Royal Scots—Win Junior Shield Soccer Match

In a re-arranged Junior Shield soccer match at Sookunpoo yesterday, the Royal Scots' second eleven only just managed to scrape through against their Third Division opponents, 24th Battery, R.A., by the only goal of the match.

As a matter of fact, the Gunners were unlucky to be eliminated from the competition as they had more of the play than their opponents. However, they had only themselves to blame for not scoring goals; they did everything but put the ball into the net.

The only goal scored in the match came within five minutes of the commencement. In attempting to clear, Minshall, the Gunners' goalkeeper, had the misfortune to knock the ball into the net when tackled by Williams.

On the whole, the game was a rather dull affair.

LEAGUE TIES

Stanley scored a comfortable victory at Happy Valley yesterday over 5th Brigade, R.A. in the "A" Section of the Third Division League by five goals to one. The game was fast and interesting, but the superior marksmanship of the Stanley team told in the end.

Scorers were Woodbridge (3) and Freer (2) for Stanley, and Saunders for the Brigade.

UNIVERSITY BEATEN

The Stonecutters W/S had little difficulty in beating the University in the "B" section by three goals to all. The game was uninteresting, owing

Easy Rugby Win For Hampshire

London, Jan. 4. Playing in the County Rugby Championship at Portsmouth to-day, Hampshire defeated Sussex by 14 points to nil.—Reuter.

EDINBURGH BEATEN ON OWN GROUND

London, Jan. 4. In the second division of the Scottish Football League, Edinburgh, at home, lost to Dundee United by 4-1 to-day.—Reuter.

COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council will be held in the Association's rooms, the Bank of Canton, on Monday, January 9, at 8.30 p.m.

At the Banquet held at the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday, Nov. 9th, 1938, Sir Frank Bowater, Lord Mayor, the following wines were served:—

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Yokes appear on everything this year—coats, frocks, jerseys, and particularly blouses. They are becoming a shoulder fit well. This one is straight-forward—diagonal pin-tucks, carried right on over the sleeves, making a checkboard yoke on a white satin blouse.



Deep circular tucks run from shoulder to shoulder of this burgundy red crepe blouse. (These rounded lines are good if you are slim.) The blouse is burgundy red, the stitching round the tucks pale cyclamen pink. Stitched tucks on above-the-elbow sleeves follow the same line as the yoke.



More dressy idea for an afternoon blouse. This is a heavy violet silk with full magpie sleeves, wide cuffed. It fastens up the front with a strip of deep crimson embroidery, and the same embroidery makes a scalloped yoke. The yoke is plain, the rest of the blouse paneled, with a seam running from each scallop.



Tailored cut on a jersey blouse. This has raglan sleeves, cut in on a slant to the neck. The pointed yoke runs out on the shoulder, ends in a high stock neck-line, fastened with three buttons. Edges of the yoke are stitched with a tinsel thread. Blouse fits tightly into a narrow waist.

Beautiful Hands

UGLY hands will often spoil a pretty face. This may sound far-fetched, but it is true. They may quite possibly take the illusion out of a charming personality. Here, therefore, are a few hints on how to deal with hand troubles.

One of the commonest troubles is redness. This may be due either to bad circulation or to woefully bad washing and drying. Anyway, the following tips will help both causes. An invaluable exercise for the hands is to move all the fingers vigorously as if typing. Do it until the hands are tired, then rest and do some more. Incidentally, this also makes the hands supple, which is another beauty point to be nipped at. To vary the above exercise, tap the fingers briskly on a table, again as if typing. This brings the blood to the hands and finger-tips.

If you feel that you are wasting your time in doing these things, then do them while you are listening-in to a wireless programme, or even reading. It is quite easy, and you can adopt the same time-saving procedure for any of the following ideas.

After Washing

As regards washing, lather and rub and wash the hands well to get all the dirt out, then wipe absolutely dry, rubbing briskly with the towel to get the blood moving. Then make it a habit to apply a little hand-lotion after each wash, to prevent roughness and wrinkles. Find a good feeding lotion and rub in energetically. Keep some lotion handy by both wash-basin and sink. If your hands are in a very bad state, do the following as an extra treatment until they show improvement. Rub olive oil generously into fingers and hands, wipe off most of it, then wash well with a super-fatted soap and finish with hand-lotion.

In any case, and particularly if your hands show a tendency to scragginess, it is good to give the hands a periodical "feed". Use a good feeding cream and rub it in to every part of the hands. Wipe off most of it, put on some loose gloves, and go to bed like that.

For Large Knuckles

Protruding knuckles should have a somewhat similar treatment. Keeping each finger taut, rub some feeding cream into each knuckle. The best way is to hold each knuckle joint between finger and thumb of the other hand and to tap and press by opening and shutting the two gripping fingers.

All these treatments, by the way, will also help to keep rheumatism and chilblains at bay. Look to your nails also. If they are in bad condition, either liable to break or become ridged, soak them periodically in some hot water, then wash and dry with a towel. Use a good nail polish and rub it in to every part of the nails. Wipe off most of it, put on some loose gloves, and go to bed like that.

Never forget to push the skin down at the base of the nail every time you wash your hands.

We cannot all have naturally beautiful hands, but we can do much to help them in that direction.

Polishing Points

When washing, lather, use a soft cloth, which has been



Mulberry ring velvet makes this charming afternoon frock with the new eased yoke.

Glengarry checks for a pleated dress to wear on a morning walk in the country.

* Mary Grace chooses—

GUEST FROCKS

for the week-end suitcase

A WEEK-END away in the winter makes a grand break, but if you are in your 'teens or early twenties the worrying thought may crop up "what clothes shall I need?"

This week I am giving two general utility dresses that will put you right on top of the world, as they will carry you over your winter week-end visiting with the greatest of ease.

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When you are young you must needs study the pennies, so I have modelled these frocks with material that is just round about two shillings a yard, and yet is up to the minute of fashion.

Just think how attractive the frock on the left of the sketch, No. 1205, would look in velvet.

An afternoon dress in this fabric looks good all the time; it is practical, yet has an expensive air. I suggest ring velvet for this.

☆☆☆

For the fashionable redhead there is a deep laurel green, sapphire blue, mulberry or black. The baby blonde will look charming in sea blue, geranium red, dahlia or jade green.

Brunettes should choose claret red, dragonfly green or a golden brown. All sensible colours, you'll notice, that do not soil quickly.

A simply cut and easy-to-make style with alternative sleeves, one fitting to wrist and the second short and squared at shoulder.

The bodice has the fashionable yoke line attractively eased, and a neat fitting skirt.

On the right is just the very frock, No. 1206, to wear under your coat if you are off for a spin in the car or for a Sunday morning walk in the country.

This, too, has a pretty yoked top, and the pattern is marked for cutting if you like a short sleeve.

Glengarry checks are the latest news in patterned designs, and I have had this practical frock designed in this type of material.

New Evening Wear

VARIETY is the spice of the new evening gowns. You can look delectably Victorian in a crinoline, or be stately and tall in a draped dress, made of some soft clinging material, or you can adopt the corseted waistline and wide, flared skirt which add interest to many of the season's evening fashions.

There is practically no limit to the range of materials and colours, and necklines have, perhaps, never been so individualistic. There are high and low necklines, and of course, the strapless shoulder line is stylish.

Among the new styles, most of which are of Paris inspiration, is a beautiful black gown similar to one worn by the Duchess of Kent. It has a very full skirt, and an

phasized waistline with a zipper down one side. On the corsage is a cluster of pink roses, and over the gown is worn a dainty, small lace shoulder cape.

Striking colour contrasts are featured in many of the gowns shown, for instance, bright purple is effectively allied with magenta, and a cyclamen pink dress is trimmed with them up.

Among the afternoon gowns is a charming short-skirted dress in grey jersey lame, with a cowi neckline and a draped front. A broad belt of comfortable to wear.

When decorative buttons on a blouse or frock begin to look a little shabby or rubbed, give them a coat of colourless varnish, from your manicure set. This freshens them up.

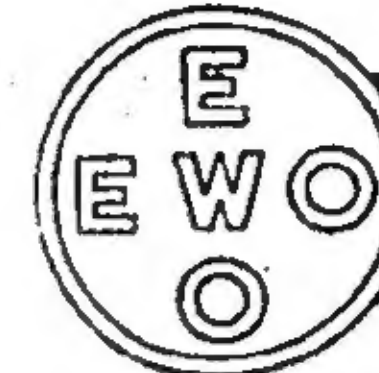
When washing net or lace curtains add one tablespoonful of flour to the starch. They will keep fresh much longer and hang better.

After mending men's woolen socks shake a little boracic powder in the socks. This makes them much more comfortable to wear.

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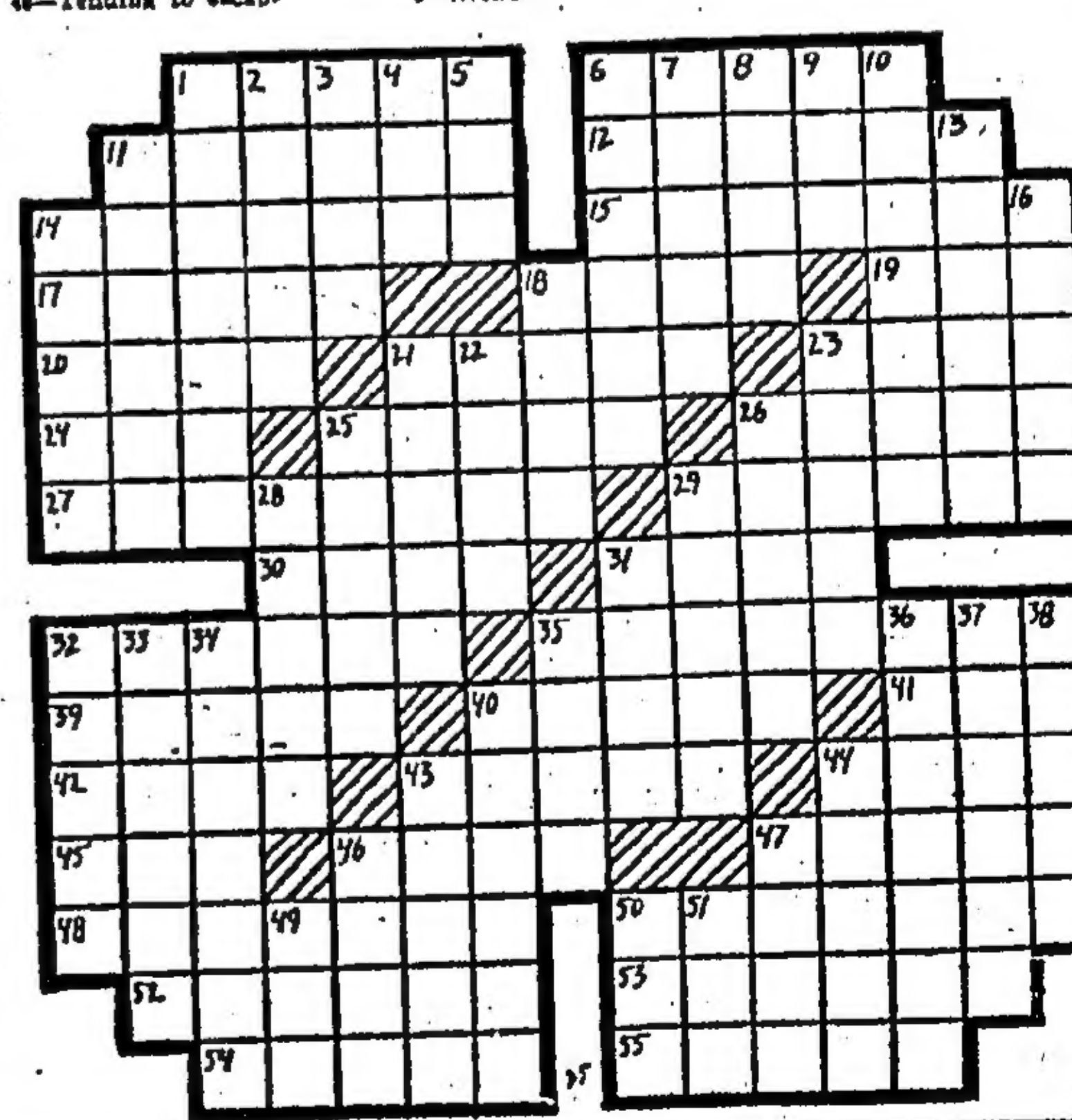
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ACROSS

- 1—Author of "The Dancer"
- 2—Fictional character
- 3—Indian name
- 4—Plurative use of word "to"
- 5—Wine
- 6—Logical grounds for thinking
- 7—Alter
- 8—College head
- 9—Untruth
- 10—Device for indicating direction of wind
- 11—Clime around
- 12—Have confidence
- 13—With many years
- 14—Pull in vigor
- 15—Maintained vigorously
- 16—Abrogate
- 17—Woodland duties
- 18—Master of craft
- 19—American ship
- 20—Prison cell
- 21—Give confidence to
- 22—Spotting beauty of
- 23—Served an standard
- 24—Circle
- 25—Burdened
- 26—Part of strain
- 27—Kind of gem
- 28—Regulating tricks
- 29—Circle
- 30—Large vessel
- 31—Durable to time
- 32—Units of currency
- 33—Tending to escape

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—LAWA
2—DANCER
3—INDIAN
4—TOES
5—WINE
6—LOGIC
7—ALTER
8—COLLEGE
9—UNTRUTH
10—WIND
11—CLIMATE
12—CONFIDENCE
13—WITH
14—PULL
15—MAINTAINED
16—ABROGATE
17—WOODLAND
18—MASTER
19—AMERICAN
20—PRISON
21—GIVE
22—SPOTTING
23—SERVED
24—CIRCLE
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26—PART
27—KIND
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29—CIRCLE
30—LARGE
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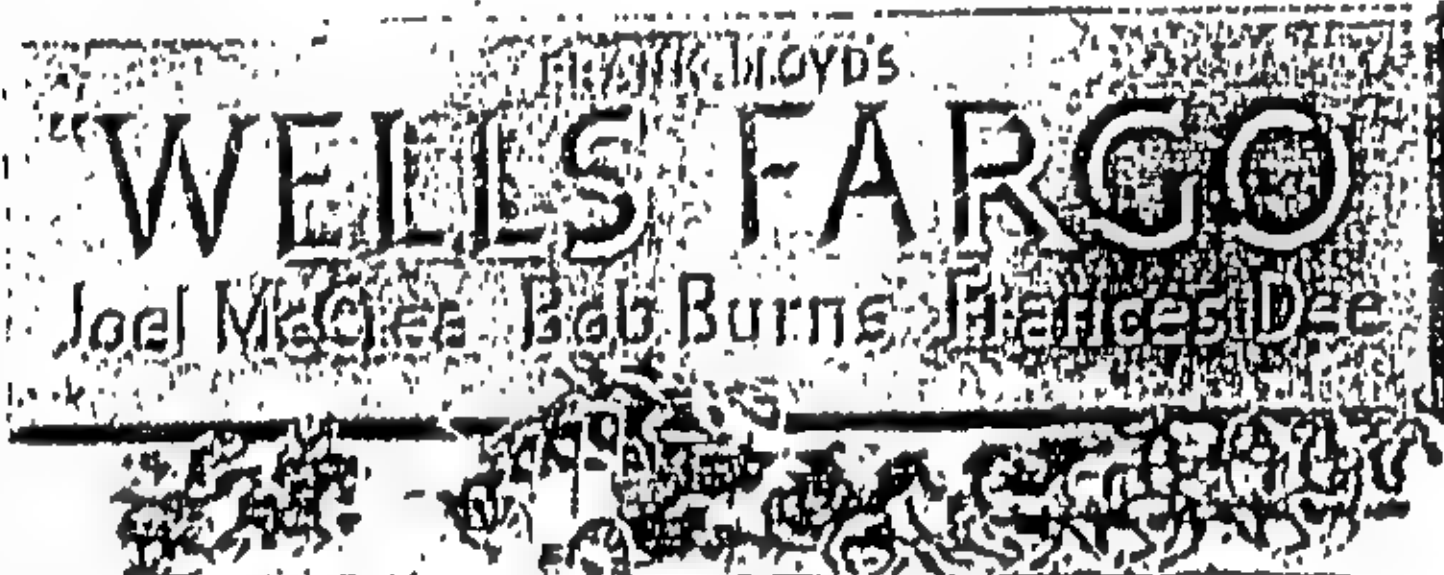


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Britain's 45 New Warships Next Year

Record Launching In Peace-Time

DURING 1939 Britain will launch 45 new warships, with a total tonnage of 355,705. Such a figure has never before been approached in time of peace by any country, and is little, if at all, below the aggregate tonnage launched in Britain in any single year of the Great War.

The vessels due to be launched in 1939 are:

Type	Number	Displacement tons
Battleships	5	175,000
Aircraft carriers	3	69,000
Large cruisers	5	40,000
Small cruisers	7	38,150
Destroyers	11	2,000
Submarines	9	9,655
Sloops	5	3,700
Total	45	355,705

All the above are combatant ships, and the total of launches in the coming year does not include a considerable number of auxiliary craft, such as boom defence vessels, motor torpedo-boats, depot ships and tugs.

FIFTY 14-IN GUNS

The first important vessels to go afloat will be the battleship King George V, which the King is to launch on Tyneside on Feb. 21. A sister ship, Prince of Wales, will take the water at Birkenhead in March, and during the summer and autumn three more vessels of the same class will be launched at Clydebank, Wallsend-on-Tyne and Govan respectively.

These five units, the largest and most strongly armoured battleships ever built in Britain, will reinforce the gun-power of the Fleet by 50 14-in guns of a new and most powerful type. With a designed speed of 30 knots, they will be among the world's fastest battleships.

The three aircraft carriers to be launched are the illustrious, Victorious, and Formidable, each of 23,000 tons. They are the largest carriers yet built for the Royal Navy. The first is building at Barrow-in-Furness, the second on the Tyne, and the third at Belfast.

NEW TYPE CRUISERS

The five large cruisers to be put afloat are the Fiji, Kenya, Mauritius, Nigeria, and Trinidad, representing a new type of 8,000 tons and 33 knots speed, armed with 12 in. guns. The seven smaller cruisers in the 1939 programme are Dido, Euryalus, Naiad, Phoenix, Sirius, Bonaventure and Hermione. They, too, form an entirely new class, 5,450 tons, with a speed of 33 knots. The armament is unique, consisting as it does of 5.2 in. guns, a new gun credited with a rate of fire of 14 rounds a minute.

Of the 11 destroyers eight are of the Laffey class, understood to be of a very large and powerful type. All the new submarines are big ocean-going craft, and most of the sloops are escort vessels heavily armed with anti-aircraft guns.

Even when the 45 ships enumerated are in the water, many others will remain on the stocks. These will include two 40,000-ton battleships, four heavy and three light cruisers, and numerous smaller vessels without counting the battleships, cruisers, destroyers and submarines to be provided for in the 1939 Navy Estimates.

Sea Hero "Jumped Into Jaws Of Death"

Lowestoft. Britain's bravest deed recently was performed by a Lowestoft workman, father of nine children.

The hero was William Eade. He and William Cunningham were working on sea defence work at Fakenfield, Lowestoft, when they heard cries for help, and saw a woman struggling in the water, which a gale was driving in huge waves against the sea wall.

Eade pulled off his thigh boots, tied a rope round his waist, and jumped over the wall into the breakers.

He reached the woman, grasped her, and fought his way back to the steps.

Time after time he was dashed against the wall, and one of his legs was injured.

WITNESSES' TRIBUTE

Cunningham then jumped into the sea and helped Eade and the woman, who was unconscious, to the shore.

The woman was Mrs. Ethel Leathley, aged 57, of Pella, St. Anne-on-Sea, a patient in a nursing home here.

"Eade jumped into the jaws of death," an eye-witness said. "He ran the double danger of being drowned and being battered to pieces against the wall."

LATE NEWS

Premier Cuts Vacation

Unexpected Action Linked With Spain Situation?

London, Jan. 4. Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax unexpectedly decided this morning to return to London.

Originally the return of the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister was scheduled for the week-end.

Official quarters are anxious to emphasize that the return of the two Ministers from the country is due to a worsening of weather conditions.

The Prime Minister's office denied rumours of a Cabinet meeting this week, or of a meeting of the inner Cabinet.

Despite the official reason given for the return of the Ministers, and despite an authoritative statement that no Cabinet meeting is contemplated, political observers are attaching major importance to the unexpected return of Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax, since the Prime Minister a few days ago stated that he would have ample opportunity of meeting the Foreign Secretary before their journey to Rome.

Political circles here, therefore, are inclined to believe that questions concerning the British attitude towards the Spanish and Mediterranean problems, which have assumed a more concrete form within the last few days, has induced the Ministers to return at an earlier date.

Increasing attention is being paid in London to the Spanish question, since it is believed the military operations have entered a decisive stage. According to all indications, London is revising its Spanish policy. Various quarters have appeared to Mr. Chamberlain within the last few days to announce that the subject of the impending Rome conversations, and to reveal the attitude he intends to take towards Mussolini in the question of the Spanish problem.

—Trans-Ocean.

New Japanese Cabinet

TOKYO, Jan. 4. BARON HIRANUMA, who has been entrusted by the Emperor with the formation of a new Government, announced to press correspondents this evening that he hoped to complete the Cabinet by Thursday.

Baron Hiranuma had conversations with various personalities this evening, including the outgoing Premier, Prince Konoye.

Baron Hiranuma declined to answer a question at a press reception whether Prince Konoye would accept a post in the new Government.

The new Premier has appointed the former Governor of Osaka, Mr. Harumichi Tanabe, to be chief secretary of the new Cabinet. It is believed that Mr. Tanabe will advise the Premier regarding the formation of the Cabinet generally.

Well-informed political circles believe that the new Cabinet will be composed of approximately as follows:

Foreign Minister	Mr. H. Arisaka
Minister for Interior	Mr. K. Kido
Minister for Finance	Mr. S. Ishiwatari
Minister for War	Gen. S. Itagaki
Minister for Marine	Admiral Yonai
Minister for Justice	Mr. S. Shigemitsu
Minister for Education	Baron S. Araki
Minister for Overseas	Mr. Y. Hattori

The portfolios of Agriculture, Commerce, Communications and Railways are expected to be offered to various well-known politicians and economic leaders, including leaders of the two majority parties.

—Trans-Ocean.

Grim Street Battle In Tsengshing

Grim street fighting raged in Tsengshing, 35 miles north-east of Canton, on Monday morning, when Chinese troops blasted their way into the war-torn city through the north gate, according to military reports.

The Japanese suffered many casualties in the face of the heroic Chinese onslaught and were thrown into a precarious position. However, the timely arrival of heavy Japanese reinforcements from Canton and Shekian, saved the situation.

Under the terms of the bombardment of the Japanese the Chinese later withdrew from the city. They wrecked all bridges and heavily damaged the highways in the outskirts of Tsengshing.

While the attack on Tsengshing was going on, another Chinese unit surrounded 200 Japanese at Shetaulung, a hill in the neighbourhood of the city. Over 90 casualties were inflicted on the Japanese there.

—Central News.

A STAR (of To-morrow) IS BORN

If that famous old London theatre the Victoria Palace is burned down to its foundations—you may ascribe it to spontaneous combustion.

There was such an outpouring there recently of youthful ambition and talent that spectators were afraid to strike a match. Nearly a thousand youths and girls gathered for the annual prize-giving of the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art and performed their prize "pieces."

There were more than 500 separate prize-givings by Mr. Leslie Banks. But the chief prize-giving was to a dark, intense, inspired Leonora Stone, 17-years-old daughter of a Sutton, Surrey, Civil Servant.

She had won the great silver cup presented for the first time this year by Mr. Alexander Korda, the film producer, to encourage the discovery of young talent.

BORN TO THE ROLE

Against the painted baronial hall where the Lambeth Walk is frolicked every night, students gave two "pieces." Tall Una Wayne, her dark hair cut in a deep fringe, did the balcony scene.

In the same setting, in subdued light and on an improvised bier, was seen golden-haired Pauline Allen dying most realistically in the poison scene.

Then all the lights were turned on and Leonora Stone, a serious little person in a shortish blue velvet dress decorated with gold cords, walked on to receive the Korda cup—and there was "Juliet," born to the role.

Leonora said "I left school in July, and I've been a student of the academy for only 11 weeks. It's wonderful to have won the cup so soon."

PREFERS SHAKESPEARE

Then in a cool, precise voice, as if she knew what to do with every syllable, Leonora added:

"I want to do serious things in the theatre—like Shakespeare. Funny that I should win a great film producer's cup. I had never thought about the films. And I still will not know what to think about them until Mr. Korda has seen me. I have such a lot to learn yet."

Leonora has two idols among the star actresses—Peggy Ashcroft and Vivien Leigh. She must have seen both a great many times, for, consciously or otherwise, she speaks and moves with a mixture of both their ways.

Standard Plan For A.R.P. Trenches

The future of A.R.P. trenches dug during the crisis was the subject of a statement by Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal, in the Commons recently.

A standard plan, with general specification and bill of quantities, had been prepared, he said, and he was communicating immediately with all local authorities so that they could proceed at once.

If they carried out the work according to this plan expenditure would rank for a grant.

The work of making the trenches permanent and weatherproof has been held up throughout the country pending the Government's decision.

Use of steel and concrete has been approved in the standard specification for making the shelters permanent.

Inquiries in the steel industry have been made and the Home Office has been assured that necessary supplies of corrugated, blumished sheets and steel arches could be maintained without interference with the steel requirements of the rearmament programme.

CHILDREN FIRST

Government proposals for civilian evacuation in time of war will put the protection of children first.

They are to be evacuated school by school, with their teachers, and plans are being devised to continue their education in the centres of safety where they will be accommodated.

This was the principal point made by three Cabinet Ministers recently at a private conference which was attended by about 50 representatives of local authorities and teachers' organizations.

The Ministry of Health will be the executive department in charge of evacuation, and Mr. Walter Elliot, the Minister, has already appointed an "Evacuation Division."

The cost of evacuation will be a Government responsibility.

Her Eyes For Blind Priest

SENTENCED to die in the electric chair at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Wednesday, Mrs. Anna Hahn offered her eyes to a blind priest or nun.

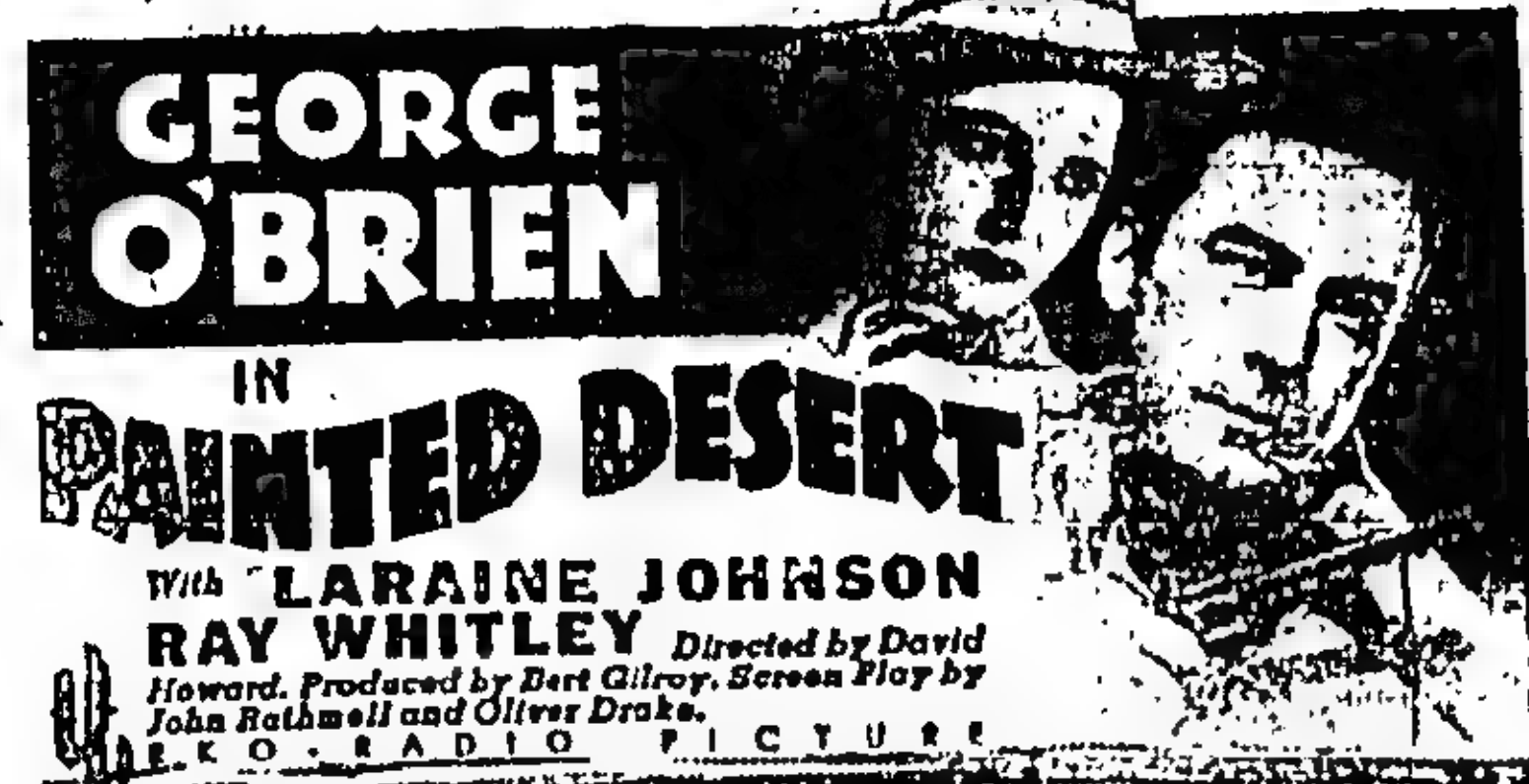
Mrs. Hahn, who is 31, was convicted of poisoning Richard Wagner, aged 78.

The prosecution also linked her name with 11 other murders.

Mrs. Hahn's 15-year-old son, Oscar, visited her in Ohio State Prison. He pleaded for five minutes with the Governor's secretary later for clemency for his mother.

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MURDER CHARGE

Crown Witness Accused From the Dock

When the prosecution's case in a murder charge against two men named Chan Yeung, 30, and Te Chun, 24, concluded before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Chan testified that he and Te had been falsely accused and that he believed the Crown's principal witness and another man were responsible for the crime.

The defendants were alleged to have murdered a man named Wong Kwan-fong on a hillside above Tai Po Road on December 1 by throwing rocks at him. The three men were returned emigrants from the Dutch East Indies.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Inspector A. E. Carey, was in charge of the case. It will be remembered that Chan Chun, the prosecution's principal witness, said at a previous hearing that he had actually seen the two defendants throwing big and small rocks at the deceased who was bathing in a stream on the hill. Chan was the only eye-witness.

Following formal police evidence yesterday, Chan Yeung said in evidence that he and Te had been falsely accused and that he believed the Crown's principal witness and another man were responsible for the crime.

Referring to his allegedly having assisted the deceased to return him money he had borrowed, Chan Yeung stated: "I never asked Wong Kwan-fong for the money or threw stones at him, let me be struck down by thunderbolts."

The second defendant said he did not wish either to testify or to make a statement from the dock.

Both men were committed to the next Criminal Sessions.

Birthday Gloom Early

Standish-Mich. Peter Gibson spent a gloomy 72nd birthday—he thought. He drank a toast to himself all alone. The following day he was both surprised and chagrined when his relatives descended en masse. A check of the family Bible disclosed he had celebrated a day too early.

ence that he and the second defendant were not even on the scene of the murder. They set out with the deceased and other men to the hillside for a ball on December 1, but left the party before the destination was reached. He believed that Chan Chun and another man named Tang Lau-mui were responsible for the murder. The blame was shifted on him and the second defendant.

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Naval Officer Falls From Express Train

WITHAM (Essex).

A NAVAL officer, Lieutenant Guy Slater, aged thirty-one, whose wedding the following week was to have been a leading event of the London season, died recently in Chelmsford Hospital, after he had fallen from an express train.

A few hours before the accident he and his bride-to-be, Miss Patricia Adams, had called together at St. George's Church, Hanover-square, W., and had discussed with the vicar final arrangements for their wedding.

Four hundred guests had been invited. The reception was to have been held in a Mayfair hotel. A Continental honeymoon was arranged.

SEEN IN MOONLIGHT

Then, Lieutenant Slater left London for Ipswich on an express train from Liverpool-street. As it thundered past Witham at seventy miles an hour he was thrown out and lay unconscious, sprawled across the other rails.

It was bright moonlight. The driver of a goods train following the express saw the unconscious man on the rails along which an up train was due.

The driver jumped on his brakes. Lieutenant Slater, his head severely injured, was taken to Chelmsford Hospital.

While doctors there prepared to operate, telephone calls brought the dying man's fiancée and mother hurrying to Chelmsford.

For four hours surgeons fought to save his life. For four hours mother and sweetheart waited together in a nearby hotel.

His mother, now Mrs. Borton, had travelled to Chelmsford with her husband, Air Vice-Marshal Borton, of Chichester, Kent.

In the late afternoon the two women were summoned to the hospital. The operation had been in vain. They stayed by his bed as the unconscious man died.

Lieutenant Slater's father, Mr. S. H. Slater, of Guildford, Surrey, is a retired Indian Civil Servant.

Just three weeks ago, he said, "I saw him off from this door. He was to be back here in four days."

"One thing I must do at once: I must go up and see Pat Adams, who should have been his bride."

Lieutenant Slater, attached to the depot H.M.S. Ganges, was due to start on leave.

His fiancée is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Adams, of Hurlingham-on-the-Water, Glou.

At his home in Palace Gate House, W. Air Vice-Marshal Borton, stepfather of Lieutenant Slater, said: "My stepson came here to say good-bye to me and his mother yesterday."

"We never thought that when next we saw him he would be dying in a hospital bed."

1. MOUSE RUNS UP BROKER'S LEG

A Mouse held up City traffic through Throgmorton Street, E.C., for five minutes. It raced out of the Stock Exchange, followed by the Stock Exchange cat.

The mouse ran for safety up the trousers of a stock-broker who was standing outside in the street.

A crowd made a ring round the broker while he took his trousers off. He eventually released the mouse—but the cat did not.

2. MOUSE RUNS UP LAWYER'S LEG

Mr. J. V. Roseman, a lawyer, is suing a cinema at Cleveland, Ohio, for £50 damages because, he says, a mouse ran up his trouser-leg while he was watching a picture.

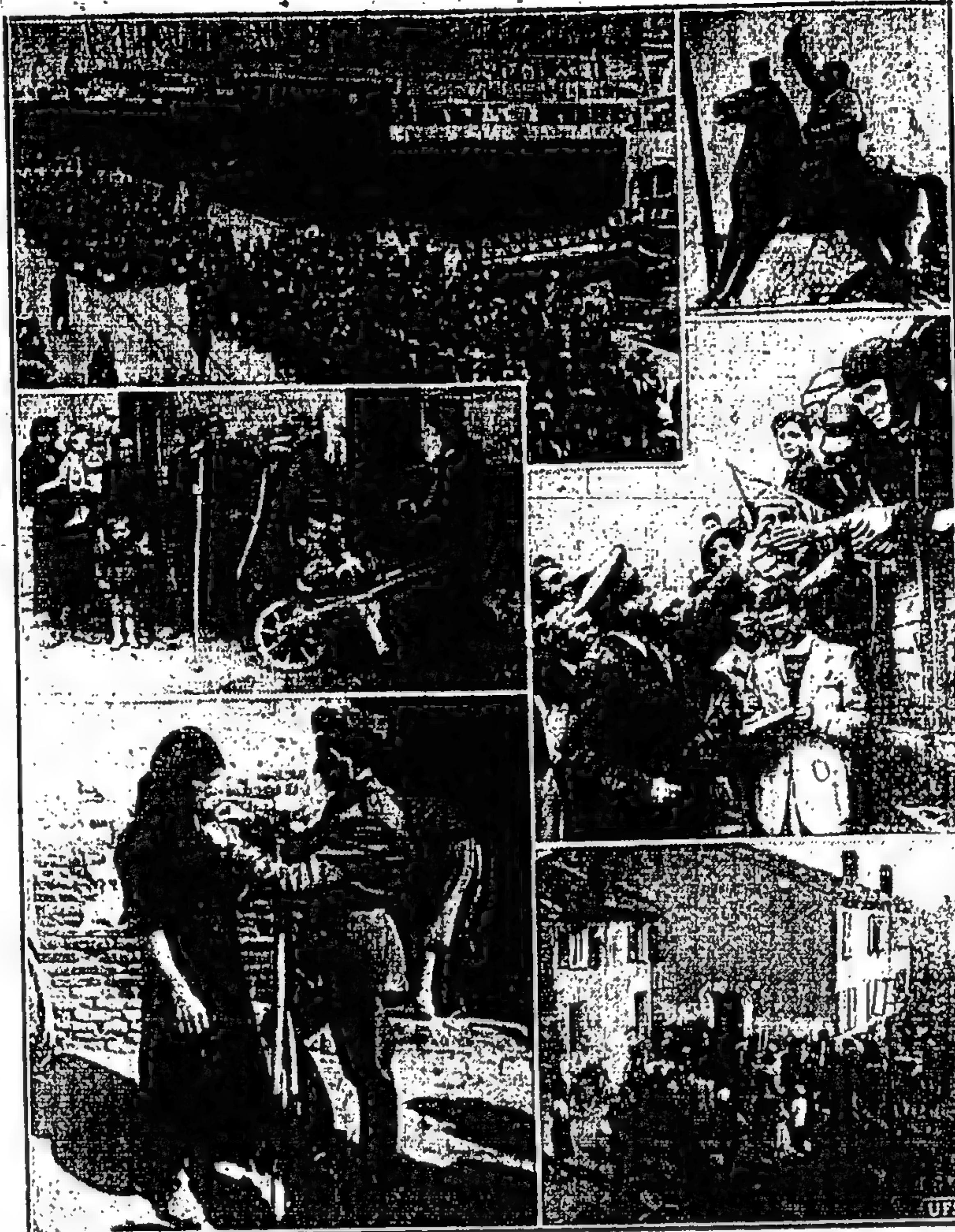
He declared he was scratched and bitten, was unable to sleep that night.

George Formby Is Upset

A few words spoken during a "Listeners' Requests" programme of gramophone records in the National programme recently have upset comedian George Formby.

"We have had a number of requests," said the announcer, "for Mr. George Formby's 'When I'm Cleaning Windows.' But they are not yet clean enough for this programme. We will try to find one of his songs next week."

Said George Formby in London one night: "It is one of my most famous songs. If the man in the B.B.C. studio didn't like it he need not have mentioned it at all."



Typical of the 18,000 Italian families that have left their native land to colonize Libya is the Amadeo Maestri family, left centre, emigrating from their home in Pescara-di-Ferrara. Announcement that the government had chosen waving the Sword of Islam. Colonists found homes and farms completely equipped, awaiting them. Families from same Italian towns are left, not her identification tag. Top left, some kept together.

"Pull Up Your Socks For The King!"

Renfrew (Ontario).—Said Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, to a group of children at Renfrew:—

"Children, I have a word for you. The King is coming, so I hope you will all brush your hair and pull up your socks, for the King is especially interested in children."

The King and Queen are to visit Canada and the United States next May.

COUNSEL SAYS THAT CHINESE EMBASSY REFUSED EVIDENCE

A COMPLAINT that the Chinese Embassy had pleaded diplomatic privilege, and refused to give evidence in a case in connection with an alleged transaction concerning arms for China, was made by counsel at Bow-street recently.

Mr. G. Du Cann, who appeared for two of the three defendants, submitted at the close of the hearing that no stone should be left unturned to bring somebody from the Embassy to speak about Mr. Chou Tin Shu, who had been mentioned in the case.

"Justice cannot be done if the Chinese Embassy are going to shelter behind their diplomatic privileges in this way," he declared.

The three defendants, Frederick Willing, aged 50, a Dutch subject and metal merchant, of Tavistock-court, Tavistock-square, agent, of Park Lane, W., and James Oll Hebert Willing, aged 24, metal merchant, of Dorset House, were all committed for trial.

All three defendants pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence. The three were charged with having conspired between December 1, 1937, and May 30, 1938, with Chou Tin Shu and others unknown, to cheat and defraud M. Theodore Lamite, stated to be manager of a well-known firm of Paris armament agents, of £7,250.

They were also charged with obtaining the £7,250 by false pretences and with attempting to obtain £4,000 from M. Lamite by false pretences.

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Fiance Ran Club For Lonely

Dublin. A MAN who was said to have ordered a suit for the wedding and worn it at the opening of a Lonely People's Club which he founded, was ordered at Dublin Civil Court recently to pay £150 damages for breach of promise.

Francis Behan, of Curzon-street, Dublin, was sued by Miss Margaret Gallagher, of South Circular-road, Dublin. Both are aged 35.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald, for Miss Gallagher, said that the couple began keeping company in 1929. About 120 letters had passed between them.

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Cotton Praises the Duke's Golf

Ashridge (Herts).

Heavy Cotton, most famous golf professional in Britain, recently told the full story of the match in which he partnered the Duke of Windsor to beat two other crack players.

He described the Duke's game as he talked enthusiastically in his home at Little Gaddesden, near here.

"We played Mr. Max Aitken and Percy Boomer on the St. Cloud (Paris) course," he said, "in a four-all foursome. Mr. Aitken has a handicap of one, and Boomer is one of the finest players in France. The Duke played off 0."

"At the first few holes we did not do so well. The Duke was unruffled, however, and drove steadily."

"He has a good swing, and nearly every time he pitches well up the fairway. It is on his approach shots that he loses points."

"We were three down at the turn, but the Duke's good driving counter-balanced his weak points, and at the 13th we were all square. Slowly we forged ahead and won by one up. I went round in 60, and the Duke in 80."

"This was the first time I have played with him, but I saw that he is a really good player. I think that he should very soon have a handicap in low single figures."

Cocaine "Burned Hole In His Pocket"

DEFENDING, at Bow-street, London, W.C., recently, a twenty-nine-year-old hairdresser accused of possessing cocaine, Mr. R. E. Fearnley-Whittingstall said that it was a case of moral cowardice by a perfectly respectable man.

Classics Read By Younger Generation

A lively controversy has been aroused in the Press by statements by Sir D'Arcy Thompson, Professor of natural history at St. Andrews, and Sir Charles Grant Robinson, Principal of Birmingham University, suggesting that the younger generation of students are unacquainted with the classics of English literature. The Times to-day publishes the opinions of a number of librarians whose evidence, while not immediately relevant to the complaints of the eminent university teachers, do at least conflict with any idea of a general decline of public interest in the literary masterpieces of other

A short time ago the man, George McGowan, received by post from a man he had met in Paris a packet of cocaine, who suggested he should sell it and keep anything over £20.

For more than a week McGowan wandered about miserably, wondering what to do, the packet "burning a hole in his pocket."

At last he showed it to a man in the West End, and was arrested almost at once.

Magistrate Sir Rolfe Graham-Campbell bound McGowan over.

times. In the case of Swift's "Gulliver's Travels"—one of the books mentioned in Sir D'Arcy Thompson's indictment—copies in the lending library of one London borough have each been borrowed more than 80 times in the past year while at Croydon it was reported to be in steady and constant demand.

California Bananas Grown

Tulare, Cal. Possibilities of a new California fruit growing industry is that of bananas. John Rose has successfully experimented here with a tree that was 14 inches tall when he planted it 18 months ago, and is now 18 feet high, with a diameter of 18 inches and has already borne two ripened bunches of bananas.

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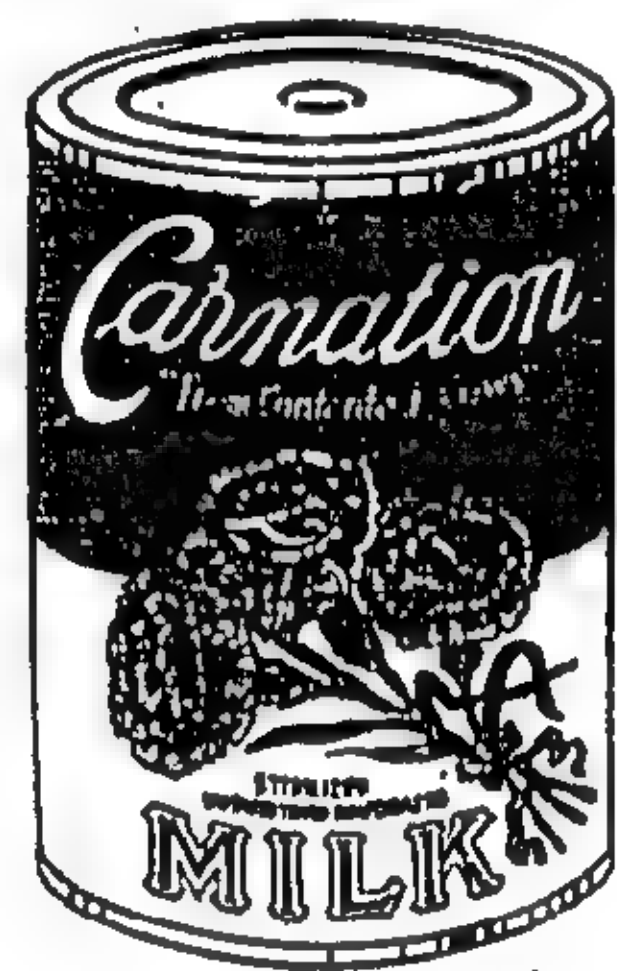
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'YARD' WANTS 50 MORE WOMEN SLEUTHS

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AT the Salvation Army Maternity Home at Clifton husbands are permitted to see their wives.

A Salvation Army official said that there was no question of compulsion, but experience had shown that in many cases wives like to have their husbands with them.

In no circumstances were husbands allowed to be present at the actual birth.

There is no evidence of this practice being followed at other maternity homes for hospitals.

A doctor at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Home said: "We are far too busy to bother with husbands, and we definitely ban the introduction of potentially septic people into theoretically aseptic wards because of the risk of infection."

"My experience is that the husband is the last person a woman wants to see at such times."

Looking Like Typists

WOMEN police have proved themselves a great success. So great that Scotland Yard is going to increase by 50 the total of 100 now on the strength.

The general idea is that they do little more than look after neglected children, see that they are not bullied and beaten. In fact, it is thought that they play a comparatively small part in actual crime detection. This is not the case.

Peer Thrilled by Bluebooks

VISCOUNT SAMUEL stated in the House of Lords recently that the report of the Royal Commission on the Coal Industry was one of the best sellers ever published by the Government. It sold more than 100,000 copies (at 1s. each).

Lord Addison said he had often felt that if the Stationery Office would give reports of Royal Commissions a popular binding they would be as good sellers as Mr. H. G. Wells's books.

"They are just as full of romance, and there are many thrillers," he added. "I have quite a good collection; some of which I have read several times."

There are at least three women police who are rated first-class detectives.

One of them was pointed out. She was slim, and she was good-looking. She looked just a well-paid typist.

"CON. MAN'S" ENEMY

She was talking to a man who, in the less respectable circles of London's West End, would be termed "a fly, one." This particular police-woman was after confidence tricksters.

London's policewomen are coming nearer to the novelists' idea of a woman sleuth than the novelists themselves realise. And so good have they proved themselves that the "Yard" wants more of them; many more of them.

Are they tough? It is on record that in the last few days one of them went into a coloured men's club of bad reputation in Soho for a young woman who had thrown over parental control and was running wild.

GOOD-LOOKERS WANTED

The "Yard" prefers that its policewomen be good looking, physically fit, between 24 and 35 years old, and at least 5ft. 4in. tall.

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Join the force, madam, and you will go to a police training school for ten weeks among the men recruits, and then go on a two years' probationary course.

You may get sore feet by pounding the beats, have your hands roughened by being out in the cold and the rain, and have to set your teeth about this little incident and that—but it is necessary.

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And there's romance in the work, too—if romance you seek.

17th November, the Japanese naval authorities, who control the harbour at Tsingtao, have undertaken, if conditions permit, to arrange matters satisfactorily as soon as possible. His Majesty's Government expect that this assurance will be implemented at an early date.

As regards the second part of the question, I understand that as a result of complaints of excessive charges, the Japanese authorities at Tsingtao have recently been inquiring into the affairs of the Tsingtao Lighter and Transportation Company and that some reorganisation has been effected.

There are also a number of further questions on the Order Paper of the House which are down for answer on Wednesday, December 7th, as follows:—

Mr. Moreing: To ask the Prime Minister whether his attention has been drawn to a joint statement issued by the British, French and American Chambers of Commerce and national associations of eight countries, represented at Shanghai complaining that Japanese restrictions on foreign trade can no longer be justified by military necessity; and what action His Majesty's Government have taken in the matter.

Mr. Moreing: To ask the Prime Minister whether he has considered a communication received during the last few days from the British Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai relating to Japanese encroachment on British trade in China; what are the specific causes of complaint alleged in the communication; and what steps he is taking to provide a redress of the grievances complained of.

Sir John Wardlaw-Milnes: To ask the Prime Minister whether his attention has been drawn to the formal declaration of policy of the Japanese Government contending that the Nine-Power treaty is obsolete, approved at a conference in the presence of the Emperor of Japan on 30th November; to what extent such policy is antagonistic to British interests in the Far East; and what action he is taking.

Sir John Wardlaw-Milnes: To ask the Prime Minister whether he has made representations to the Japanese Government on the failure of the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, on assuming office, to give to foreign ambassadors the customary assurance that Japan will adhere to the open-door policy; and whether His Majesty's Government have consulted the Governments of the United States of America and France on this important matter.



Fears were reawakened for the life of Pope Pius, shown above with an aide, when he suffered a serious heart attack in his private apartment in Vatican City. Physicians administered oxygen to the 81-year-old Pontiff, after which he rallied. His life was despaired of almost exactly two years ago when he was ill from varicose veins.

BRITAIN'S LITTLE RAILWAYS TO TAKE A STRONGER LINE

HUNDREDS of branch railway lines have been absorbed by the four main line groups since the war, but there are still many little railways, some of them only a few miles long, worked independently by small public companies.

To protect their interests, just as the Railway Companies Association looks after the well-being of the Big Four, the Association of Minor Railway Companies is to be formed.

There are at least 25 of these independent public railways. The famous Festiniog Railway is known to Welsh holiday-makers and to film producers. It is 13½ miles long with a 1ft. 11½in. gauge, has six engines, two petrol locomotives, 52 carriages, 1,186 waggons and five mixed vehicles.

Some of these railways are almost Lilliputian. One of the smallest public lines is the Easingwold, in Yorkshire. Its present length is two and a half miles and it has one locomotive and two carriages.

Mr. S. J. Reading, general manager of the 15-mile-long Derwent Valley Light Railway, with head offices at Layerthorpe Station, York, says that "almost without exception they are now in a far worse position than the grouped companies."

"In a White Paper issued by the Ministry of Transport," he writes "preliminary to the grouping arrangements being operative, it was stated: 'Light railways must rely largely for their prosperity and development upon the good will and assistance of the main line companies in whose districts they lie.'"

"Beyond this feeble recommendation nothing whatever has since been done for the minor railway companies, and the main line groups are undoubtedly not in a position to give much practical assistance, although the small lines are valuable feeders to them."

BOUND BY REGULATIONS "Small railways are bound by most of the regulations affecting railways, are forced to render their accounts in the same form as the large railways and must supply the Ministry with statistical returns. In contrast to this, if anything on the 'credit' side comes along we are 'freely' told it only applies to the grouped companies."

Many small lines, he adds, have ceased to exist, but those still remaining claim to be fulfilling a public demand and are entitled to consideration when matters of policy are decided on.

Mr. Reading said that the following 25 independent public railways would probably belong to the Association. Many of them are light railways with the standard gauge and one or two are run on a miniature gauge:

Derwent Valley North Sunderland Festiniog Carrington (Essex) East Kent Kent & East Sussex Shropshire and Montgomeryshire South Devon Railway Western Clevedon & Romney, Hythe and Portland Rye and Camber Faversham (Yorks) Rye and Camber Talylyn, North South Shields, Marsden & Whitburn Trafford Park Birtington

One of the most popular miniature lines is the 1ft. 3in. gauge railway that runs from Romney to Dymchurch, in Kent.

Policemen To Be Linguists Budapest. Policemen stationed at traffic centres here will be required to speak several foreign languages with fluency. The new regulation is intended to make visitors feel at home and facilitate in general.

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AT 28 He Had Never Seen: Train, Film, A Radio

ALTHOUGH he is 28 years of age, Stanley Jones is looking at civilization for the first time in his life—and finding it "like a miracle."

Since babyhood he has seen nothing but the prairie, some 200 miles from Winnipeg, Canada.

Recently he reached Liverpool, with his 70-years-old mother, on board the Duchess of Atholl.

Twenty-six years ago Mrs. Jones emigrated with her husband from Llangwm, Wales. Stanley was then two years old. The only world he ever knew was the farm.

He never saw a railway train until he arrived at Winnipeg on this journey back.

He asked the stewards to tell him where all the food came from.

The radio and the cinema startled him when he first heard and saw them on the ship.

Neither he nor his mother can speak anything but Welsh, but luckily one of their fellow travellers was a Welshman, who acted as interpreter.

Bette Davis: Divorce Proceedings

New York. FILM actress Bette Davis announced recently that her husband, Harmon O. Nelson, "will apply for a divorce." They were married in 1932. Hollywood gossip writers have recently filled many columns with reports of their incompatibility. Nelson, who is 31—a year older than his wife—gave up his job as a band leader this year in order to enter a Hollywood advertising agency. Last March Miss Davis took a 18-year-old orphan into her home as a protegee. In September the Nelsons separated for what at the time was announced as vacation.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

TOMBOLA.—There will be a Tombola every Thursday at St. Patrick's Club, 5 Garden Road, from 8.30 p.m. to 11.45 p.m.

FOR SALE.

TIN CAN MAIL COVERS. Letter enclosed in a watertight tin was put into the sea. For sale at Grace Co., 10, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks, £.....1,405 sa.
H.K. Banks, Lon. £.....90 n.
Chartered, £.....914 n.
Mercantile, £.....275 n.
Mercantile, C. £.....13 n.
East Asia, £.....80 n.

INSURANCES

Canton, £.....210 b.
Union, £.....478 b.
China Underwriters, £.....70 n.
H.K. Fire, £.....178 b.

SHIPPING

Douglas, £.....63½ b.
Steamboats, £.....18 n.
Indo-China, P. £.....55 n.
Indo-China, D. £.....24 n.
Shell Bearers, £.....84/4½ n.
Waterboats, £.....0 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves, £.....117½ b.
Docks (old), £.....10 s.
Docks (new), £.....17½ s.
Providents (old), £.....63½ n.
Providents (new), £.....610 n.
New Eng. Sh., £.....500 n.
Shu, Docks, Sh., £.....100 n.

MINING

Kailan, £.....17½ n.
Raub, £.....35 s.
Yenz, Goldfield, £.....53 n.
Hongkong Mines, £.....7½ cts. n.
Antimons, £.....52 sa.
Atoka, £.....20½ sa.
Baguio Gold, £.....14.20 sa.
Benguet, Con. P., £.....56 sa.
Coco Grove, P., £.....20 sa.
Con. Mines, £.....20 sa.
Demonstrations, £.....28 sa.
I.X.L. P., £.....64 sa.
Gumaua, £.....182 sa.
San Maricelo, £.....20 sa.
Suyoc, Con. P., £.....20 sa.
Paracale, £.....60 sa.

LANDS

Hotels, £.....7 s.
Lands, £.....37 sa.
Lands 4½ deb., £.....107½ n.
Shai Lands, £.....9.70 n.
Humphreys, £.....9 s.
H.K. Rentals, £.....5.80 b.
Chinese Estates, £.....90 n.

UTILITIES

Tram, £.....17½ s.
Peak Trams (old), £.....7½ b.
Peak Trams (new), £.....3½ b.
Star Ferries, £.....72 b.
Y. Ferries (old), £.....22½ n.
Y. Ferries (new), £.....22 n.
China Light (cum. rts.), £.....9.70 b.
China Light (Rights), £.....3.60 sa.
H.K. Electric, £.....50½ sa.
Macao Electric, £.....17 n.
Sundakan Lights, £.....10 b.
Telephone (old), £.....23½ sa.
Telephone (new), £.....8.60 n.
Tractions, £.....21/3 s.
Singapore Pref., £.....25/- n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macq. (ord.), Sh., £.....14 n.
Cald: Macq. (Pre.), Sh., £.....13 b.
Canton Ice, £.....1.70 n.
Cement, £.....16.60 sa.
Ropes, £.....3.85 b.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms, £.....24.20 b.
Watsons, £.....8.00 n.
Lane Crawford, £.....8.10 n.
Sincere, £.....2 n.
Wing On (H.K.), £.....30 n.
Powell, Ltd. cts., £.....90 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Cotton (c. cts.), Sh., £.....10.15 n.
Shai Cotton, Sh., £.....103 n.
Zong Sing, Sh., £.....24 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh., £.....40 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments, £.....7½ s.
Constructions, £.....1½ s.
Vibro Piling, £.....0.00 b.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925, £.....70% n.
G.S. Bonds, £.....70% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan, 0% pr. m., £.....16/6 n.
Marsmans (H.K.), £.....3/- s.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London1s. 2½
Demand1s. 2½
T.T. Shanghai172 Non.
T.T. Singapore100½
T.T. Japan83
T.T. India20½
T.T. U.S.A.57½
T.T. Manila52½
T.T. Batavia14½
T.T. Bangkok100
T.T. Saigon10.90
T.T. France71½
T.T. Germany127
T.T. Switzerland1/3
T.T. Australia1/3

BUYING

4 m/s L/c London1/3½
4 m/s D/p do1/3½/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A.20½
4 m/s France11.40
90 d/s India64½
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th. day of January, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Sau Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon, Island Lot No. 268.	Sau Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City.	as per sale plan.	About 18,120	\$186	\$3,605

NOTICE

R.A.O.B. (G.L.E.) Club, Queen's Building, Ice House Street, near Star Ferry, will hold a whist drive and tombola every Thursday, commencing Thursday, 5th January at 8.30 p.m. sharp. All are welcomed.

NOTICE

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 1.00 p.m. yesterday, says:

A moderate turnover was put through during the morning, with buyers displaying an inclination to increase their bids.

SALES
Canton Insurance \$210
Union Insurance \$478
H.K. Fire Insurance \$178
Boulevard \$812
H.K. & K. Wharves \$18½
H.K. Docks (Old) \$100½
H. & S. Hotels \$65
H.K. Lands \$304½
H.K. Rentals \$52½
H.K. Tramways \$17.00
Peak Trams (Old) \$7½
Peak Trams (New) \$3½
Star Ferries \$72
China Lights (cum rts.) \$9.70
China Lights Rts. \$3½
H.K. Electric \$50½
Macao Electric \$17
Sundakan Lights \$10
Cement \$16.60
H.K. Ropes \$3½
Dairy Farms \$24.20
Entertainments \$7
Vibro Piling \$0
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 0% pr. m.
H.K. Govt. 5% Loan par.

BUYERS
Hongkong Bank \$1,405
H.K. & K. Wharves \$110
H.K. Docks (New) \$17.00
Providents (Old) \$63½
H.K. Lands \$7½
H.K. Tramways \$17.00
China Lights (cum rts.) \$9.70
H.K. Electric \$50½
Telephones (Old) \$34
Entertainments \$7½
Constructions \$1½
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 0% pr. m.
H.K. Govt. 5% Loan par.

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MORE TROOPS LEAVING
Marseilles, Jan. 4.
Another battalion of 750 men of the Senegal Infantry are leaving on January 7 for French Somaliland.

ROOSEVELT'S WARNING

"We Propose to Do Our Share for Hemisphere"

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gallery, while other interested spectators were the French and Spanish Ambassadors, and the Portuguese Minister.

Mrs. Roosevelt and the President's mother were among the crowded audience.

Long and prolonged cheering greeted the President when he said: "Dictatorship involves costs which the American people will never pay—the cost of our spiritual value, and the blessed right of being able to say what we please; the cost of freedom, the cost of our capital being confiscated, the cost of being cast into concentration camps, and of being afraid to walk down the street with the wrong neighbour, the cost of having our children brought up, not as free human beings, but moulded by machines."

"If the avoidance of these costs mean taxes on my income, or duties on my estate, I would bear those taxes willingly as the price for my breathing, and my children breathing, the free air in a free country, in a living, not a dead world."

Senator Key Pittman, commenting on President Roosevelt's speech, said that he believes the Government will conclude it is necessary to apply moral, financial, and commercial sanctions against treaty violators.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Jan. 4.

New York Cotton

	Opening	Closing
Jan. (1939)	8.42/42	8.47/47
Mar. (1939)	8.40/40	8.47/47
May (1939)	8.24/24	8.25/25
July (1939)	7.99/99	8.03/03
Oct. (1939)	7.61/01	7.63/03
Dec. (1939)	7.64b/05a	7.69/70
Spot		8.92N

New York Rubber

	10.33/33	10.35b/37a
Mar. (1939)	10.33/33	10.35b/37a
May	10.20b/33a	10.30/30
September		10.30b/35a
October		10.33/34
December		10.33N

Sales for the day:—1,150 tons.

Chicago Wheat

	70½/70½	70½/70½
May	70½/70½	70½/70½
July	70½/70½	70½/70½

Chicago Corn

	53½/53½	53½/53½
May	53½/53½ <td>53½/53½</td>	53½/53½
July	54½/54½ <td>54½/54½</td>	54½/54½
September		55½/55½

Winnipeg Wheat

	63½/64	63½/63½
May	63½/64 <td>63½/63½</td>	63½/63½
July	64½/64½ <td>64½/64½</td>	64½/64½
October		64½/64½

JAPANESE HARASSED

SHANGHAI, Jan. 4.

AGAIN TESTIFYING to the fact that a large number of Chinese troops are still behind the Japanese lines, Japanese reports state that large numbers of Chinese troops have surrendered in the region of the Taipei Mountain, north and north-east of Hankow.

According to aerial observation, further large numbers of Chinese regular troops are still distributed among various villages in this area. It is expected that considerable fighting will take place before this region is cleared up, even if this is at all possible in view of the fact that the Japanese line north of Hankow is not continuous enough to prevent the infiltration of Chinese forces.—Trans-Ocean.

FIGHT TO END

The Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, speaking at the National Trade Union Club in London to-day, said that the determination of the Chinese people to fight to the bitter end, until an equitable and lasting peace could be obtained, had been strengthened.

The whole country was behind the leadership of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

The Japanese peace terms were a fraudulent attempt to make China a vassal State. Until Japan changed her terms of policy towards China, there could be no alternative but to continue resistance.

While Japan was showing signs of internal disturbance, China had shown none of weakening, and there was no possibility of surrender.—Reuter.

September .. 71½/71½

Tuesday's Sales: 20,010,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

	53½/53½	53½/53½
May	53½/53½ <td>53½/53½</td>	53½/53½
July	54½/54½ <td>54½/54½</td>	54½/54½
September		55½/55½

Winnipeg Wheat

	63½/64	63½/63½
May	63½/64 <td>63½/63½</td>	63½/63½
July	64½/64½ <td>64½/64½</td>	64½/64½
October		64½/64½

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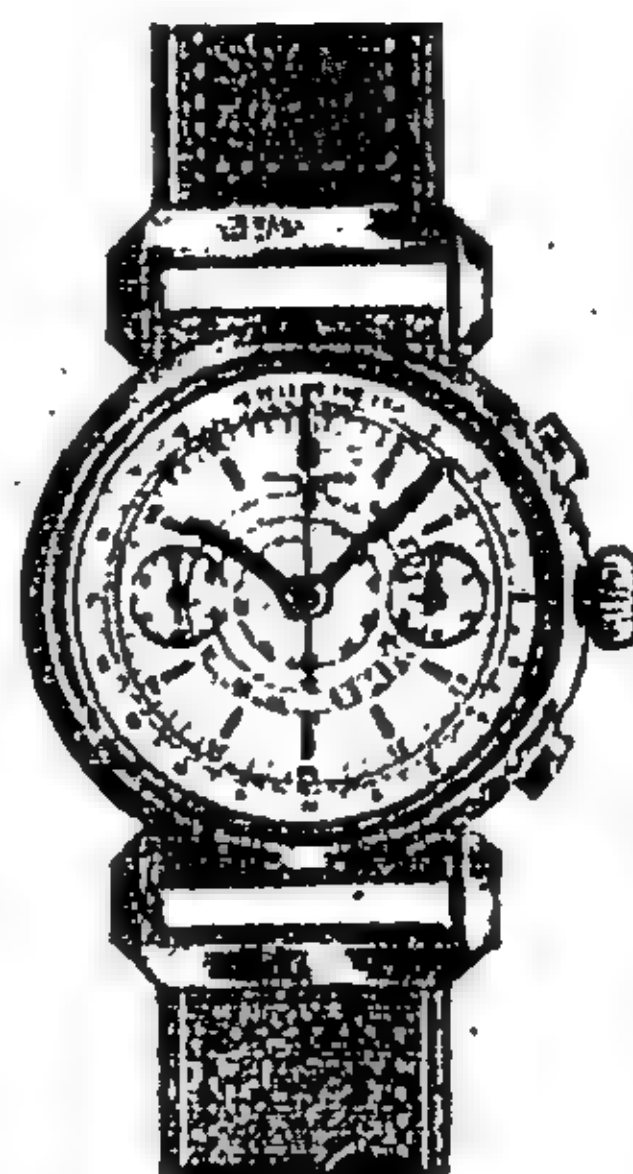
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FASCISM COMES TO JAPAN

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of the most extreme type, unpopular in Japan.

Mr. Ikeda's disappearance is much regretted, as he is generally regarded as a most able Finance Minister, and anxiety is felt in London as to who will succeed him.

It is predicted that the two great Japanese political parties, the Seiyukai and Minseito, will fight violently, as they did in the autumn of 1930 and the spring of 1937, against the Army chiefs' plans for the formation of a new party on Fascist lines, which, in effect, would reduce the Diet to a rubber stamp Assembly.

It is thought that the political parties will have the support of the Japanese people in this fight.

Observers do not expect the new Ministry to last long.

Chinese opinion, expressed to "Reuter", was as follows: "It makes no difference to us who is in power in Tokyo. We fight on just the same, but it is possible that a more extreme Japanese Government is better for us, because it will hasten the chances of a popular revolt in Japan."—Reuter.

ARMY SUPPORT HIRANUMA

Tokyo, Jan. 5.

Following an emergency conference held at the official residence of the War Minister, the Army leaders have decided to support the new Government under Baron Kichiro Hiranuma.

The conference was attended by the War Minister, Lieut.-General Seishiro Itagaki, Lieut.-General Yamawaki, the Vice-Chief of the Army General Staff, and Lieut.-General Toshio Nishio, Inspector-General of Military Education.

The views of the military authorities as discussed at the conference, were communicated to Baron Kichiro Hiranuma, the Premier Designate, when General Itagaki, in response to a call from Baron Hiranuma, visited the headquarters for the formation of the Cabinet at 9.20 a.m.

While consenting to retain his post in the new Cabinet, General Itagaki, on behalf of the Army, it is understood, made the following requests to the Premier Designate:—

(1) The policies for settling the China Incident which has been established as the result of the Imperial Conference, especially the principles for adjusting relations with China which were enunciated on December 22, should be pursued in toto by the new Cabinet.

(2) Efforts be made by the new Cabinet to establish plans for national defence in coping with the urgent situation in East Asia as well as to replenish and perfect armament.

(3) The relations between Japan, Germany and Italy be brought closer and further strengthened.

(4) The system for the general mobilization of the nation be solidified and the Planning Board of the Cabinet be strengthened.

(5) The productive capacity of the nation be expanded to a degree.

(6) The spirit and vigour of the

ARMADA OF NEW SHIPS FOR NAVY

(Continued from Page 1.)

The vessels due to be launched in 1939 are:

Type	Number	Displacement tons
Battleships	5	175,000
Aircraft carriers	3	60,000
Large cruisers	5	10,000
Small cruisers	7	38,150
Destroyers	11	20,000
Submarines	9	8,865
Sloops	8	3,700

All the above are combatant ships, and the total of launches in the coming year does not include a considerable number of auxiliary craft, such as boom defence vessels, motor torpedo-boats, depot ships and tugs.

FIFTY 14-IN GUNS

The first important vessels to go afloat will be the battleship King George V, which the King is to launch on Tyneside on Feb. 21. A sister ship, Prince of Wales, will take the water at Birkenhead in March, and during the summer and autumn three more vessels of the same class—Anson, Jellison and Beatty—will be launched at Clydebank, Wallsend-on-Tyne and Govan respectively.

These five units, the largest and most strongly armoured battleships ever built in Britain, will reinforce the gun-power of the Fleet by 50 tons. They are the largest and most powerful type. With a designed speed of 30 knots, they will be among the world's fastest battleships.

The three aircraft carriers to be launched are the illustrious, Victorious, and Formidable, each of 23,000 tons. They are the largest carriers so far built for the Royal Navy. The first is building at Barrow-in-Furness, the second on the Tyne, and the third at Belfast.

NEW TYPE CRUISERS

The five large cruisers to be put afloat are the Fiji, Kenya, Mauritius, Nigeria, and Trinidad, representing a new type of 6,000 tons and 33 knots speed, armed with 12 6-inch guns.

The seven smaller cruisers in the 1939 programme are Dido, Euryalus, Naiad, Phoebe, Sirius, Bonaventure and Hermione. They, too, form an entirely new class, 5,150 tons, with a speed of 33 knots. The armament is unique, consisting of 10 5.25-inch guns, a new model credited with a rate of fire of 14 rounds a minute.

Of the 11 destroyers eight are of the Laffrey class, understood to be of a very large and powerful type. All the new submarines are big ocean-going craft, and most of the sloops are escort vessels heavily armed with anti-aircraft guns.

Even when the 45 ships enumerated are in the water, many others will remain on the stocks. These will include two 40,000-ton battleships, four heavy cruisers, and light cruisers, and numerous smaller craft, without counting the battleships, cruisers, destroyers and submarines to be provided for in the 1939 Navy Estimates.

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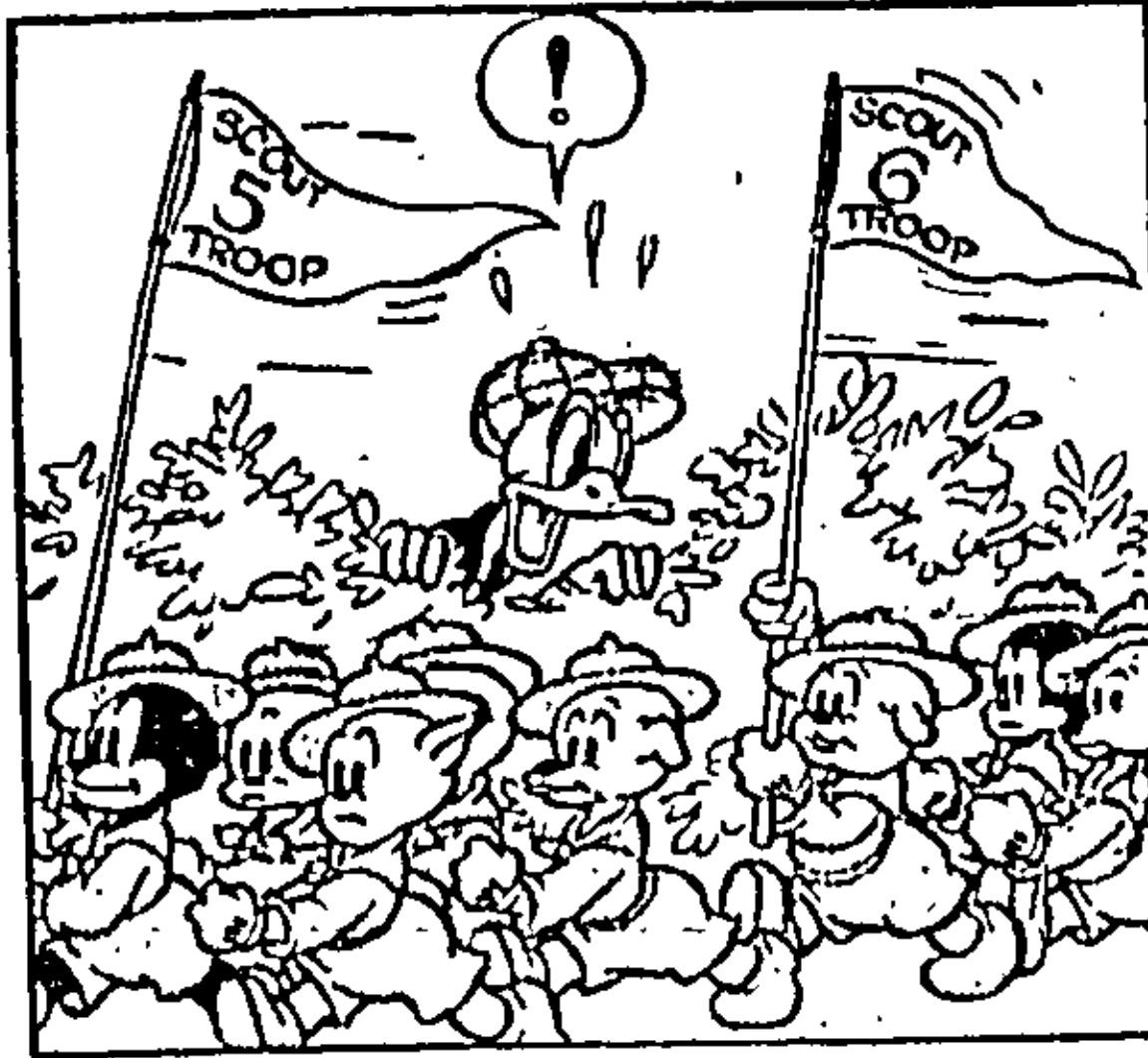
(7) Foreign trade be promoted.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Swatow	Anshun	January 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Chitral	January 5.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 28th December 1938	Pan-American Airways Plane	January 5.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 10th December).	Pres. Van Buren	January 5.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.)—London date, 8th December and London Parcels—London date, 1st December	Rajputana	January 5.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinking	January 5.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sulyang	January 5.
Straits	Titan	January 5.
Straits	Behar	January 5.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	January 5.
Rabaul	Friderun	January 5.
Haiphong	Lippe	January 5.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date 10th December 1938	President Cleveland	January 5.
Australia and Manila	Telping	January 5.
Japan	Tazima Maru	January 5.

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Sentence of three weeks' hard labour was imposed by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's yesterday on Leung Chuen 17, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing an electric motor horn valued \$5 from car No. 1273 in Tung Lung Street, at 7.50 p.m. on Tuesday.

Married in February 1928
Mademoiselle Glnette Gerber, sis-
ter-in-law to M. Lepissier, now French
Consul-General at Tientsin.
Braud was left a widower by
his wife's untimely death in 1931.
He leaves a brother M. Arthur Braud
who lives at Antibes, France.

To-night, at 8 p.m., Dr. Arthur Fung will deliver his second lecture on "Theosophy and Therapeutics," in the Lodge room of the Theosophical Society, 1B, Chater Road. All interested are welcome. Other lectures arranged for Manu Lodge, Theosophical Society, are: January 12, — "Theosophy and Therapeutics (III)," by Dr. Arthur Fung; January 19, "The Appeal of Theosophy" by E. Williams.

A lecture will be given by A. L. Flesher in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Thursday, January 26, commencing at 8 p.m. His subject will be "Around the World with a Movie Camera."

MR. Inglis determined to remedy all this, and at once instituted sweeping changes in the mediaeval order of the famous prison. Workshops were installed and the prisoners were taught the elements of some



useful trade. Those who were

Mr. Inglis, however, did not long survive to enjoy the emoluments which his term of service in Hongkong had earned for him; for he died in the latter part of the 'sixties. Thus passed the man who made his office of "Governor of Victoria" a symbol of reform and progress in penal administration.

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Puquita; The Wind has told me a story—R. Foort-Organ

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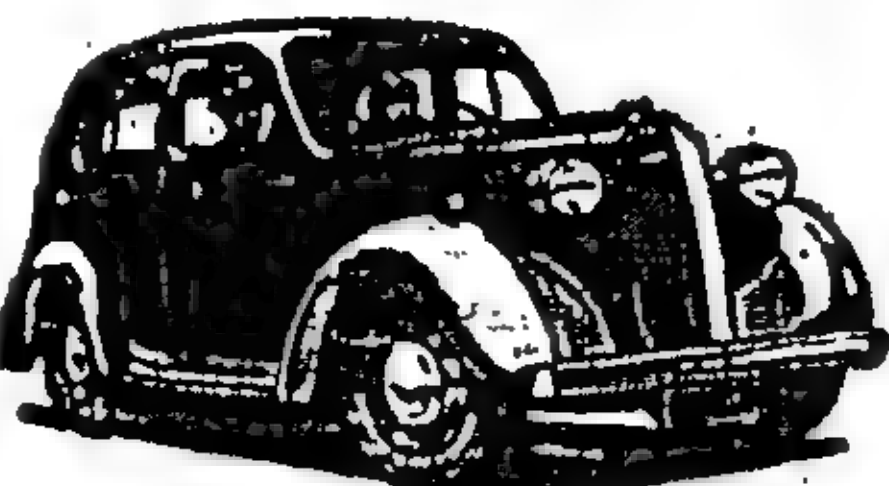
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Nonsense

WHAT A LOT of nonsense news agencies sometimes send us about international affairs!

Two European Powers, France and Italy, shout rude remarks at one another.

As a result, misguided people pull long faces and talk of war.

As if incidents like these are not always part of our present inadequate form of civilisation. We have had them in the past and will have them in the future. Worse incidents. Grave tension. And no war came of them.

Fashoda, for instance. "Encyclopaedia Britannica" tells you about it. A place beside the Nile, where British and French forces met in 1898.

France sought to link up her possessions in West Africa with those at the entrance to the Red Sea. And Kitchener hurried up the Nile to head them off.

Europe was filled with alarm.

Nothing came of it. For Kitchener persuaded the French commander to evacuate Fashoda. Though some Frenchmen cried out against the "Fact of Shame", the tension passed away. And six years later Britain and France made an entente which included a complete settlement of their colonial differences.

The disputes which bulk so large one day fade away into nothing the next.

The air is always full of rights and wrongs.

When the Tunisia and Djibouti grievances die down we will find more waiting. There are lots of people in Europe who seem to want to say their piece, and thump the big drum. There is a queue of oppressed nations seeking sympathy.

When they have all had their say perhaps somebody will start to talk sense to that silly continent that is Europe.

It is time the nations there settled down to the job of deciding how they are going to live alongside one another instead of trying to live on top of one another.

Until the dawn of that happy day, we will still go on receiving expensive cables telling us about new crises and new wrangles.

Postscript

We haven't written an editorial about Wang Ching-wel. We do not intend to write an editorial about Wang Ching-wel. That gentleman has already received too much free publicity.

Lady Drummond-Hay, who recently visited Hongkong, sends from London this absorbing article on

Defending This Empire

THE DICTATOR STATES, Italy the new Fascist Roman Empire and Nazi Pan-Germany, together with militaristic Imperial Japan, have been and still are openly gambling on the "Decline and Fall" of the British Empire.

As the New Year foreshadows The Shape of Things to Come, that is to me one of the most significant, certainly one of the most important factors looming on the horizon, which the diplomacy and power of Adolf Hitler, of Benito Mussolini and the ambitions of Japan want to weave into their pattern of the Future.

Envious of the wealth and happiness of the free British peoples which is a constant reproach to their systems, covetous of British territories, somewhat intoxicated by sensational successes born in part of bold bluff, and in part of our own unpreparedness, the Fascist and Nazi regimes are deceiving themselves as to the real sentiment of the British people.

Our love of peace, admittedly sometimes expressed too vehemently, has occasionally been misinterpreted as a manifestation of nation-wide fear.

We in England did fear war, if by "fear" is understood a deep-rooted national revulsion against the folly and crime of war. But there was not then, there is not to-day, never has been "fear" to fight for country, Empire and all we hold dear.

The spirit of England is very much alive, even though we would rather talk of peace than of war. Those who take the absence of sabre-rattling and truculence as a sign of national cowardice will discover their mistake.

WE ARE YET too close to the picture to gain real perspective of the value of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's flight to Berchtesgaden in September, humbling his own pride, the pride of his high office, of the Empire and of the British people.

We cannot see the evolving details in proper relation one to the other, nor can we judge the wisdom of the Premier in allowing Adolf Hitler the exaltation of that triumph and the consciousness of a victorious conqueror at Munich. What many people still overlook is the fact that aside from British prestige, Hitler's sweeping success in the Czechoslovakian crisis, no British interests were sacrificed at Munich.

Berchtesgaden, Godesberg and Munich however, have had an inevitable consequence and effect which should by no means be underestimated. That is loss of prestige. Small nations can afford to be indifferent to prestige. Not Empires or Great Powers. Prestige has for many decades been Britain's most influential factor, not only within the Empire but all over the world.

Berchtesgaden, Godesberg and Munich projected the world-wide question "Is the British Empire on the Decline?" Germans and Italians openly affirm it. Americans suspect it. German, Italian publications discuss it. The question is asked in letters I receive from America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Hongkong, India and Shanghai.

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The author reflects such extraordinary prejudices against England, and goes to such lengths to prove his contention, that it is difficult to believe he can be by birth an Englishman.

Some American newspapers interpret the forthcoming visit of the King and Queen to Canada, and the United States next June in the light of a "Royal SOS to America"—that in effect, it is an appeal to America to "save the British Empire."

Some American commentators point to a possibility that England might fall under the domination of the Dictators, and go so far as to attribute President Roosevelt's gigantic rearmament programme to that idea, and America's isolation thereby.

One writer holds that "only a resurgence of the one-time national spirit of the 'Bull-dog breed' sweeping the Empire" can save Britain. Others maintain that Mr. Chamberlain is shrewdly playing for time for two purposes, to increase Britain's defensive strength, and to come to an understanding with America.

President Roosevelt, I have good reason for believing, is far from averse to such an understanding provided it is on a fifty-fifty basis. In view of the growing aggressiveness of the Dictator nations, an ever-increasing proportion of the American people are in favour of closer co-operation with Britain, despite the isolationist school of thought.

SINCE THE END of the World

War, more particularly since the appearance on the European stage of the Dictator powers, Britain's policy has been shaped and fixed by the necessities, limitations, even weaknesses of Empire strategy. In strong nations, political policy dictates military strategy on land, sea and in the air. If the reverse is true in England, it is in the circumstances unavoidable for the time being.

It should be recalled that the British Empire extends more than sixteen thousand miles around the globe, and in Africa this belt is three thousand miles wide.

The Empire embraces ninety-two countries, states dominions,

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"It's a little annuity I took out for Junior—it'll make a nice nest egg when he grows up and needs bail."

possessions, provinces, colonies, mandates, dependencies and protectorates, not to mention those countries such as Egypt, Transjordan and Iraq, whose protection against foreign invasion is directly or indirectly guaranteed by Great Britain. In the above number I have not counted separately the innumerable Indian States.

British Naval strategy is indicated by no fewer than twenty-six Naval bases and stations. British Royal Air Force air bases and commercial aerodromes are scattered over a line eleven thousand miles long to far off New Zealand. Britain's peacetime military forces on land in this vast Empire number scarcely one-third of Germany's standing army.

That the Central Government in London in formulating policy, more especially in times of grave international crisis, is necessarily influenced by the advice of the Imperial General Staff and the Admiralty, and must take into consideration the strategic requirements on this, the longest "front" in the world, is obvious.

The problems of naval, military and air strategy for the Empire which from time to time confront the Admiralty and Imperial General Staff and its Chief, Lord Gort, whom I first met in China in 1927 when he was Chief of Staff of the British Expeditionary Force, are more difficult than those which any other nation is called upon to solve.

I WAS PARTICULARLY impressed with this thought when early this year (1938), I flew within sight of Malta, saw the Royal Air Force bases near Baghdad, and three days later chatted in Singapore with Major-General W. G. S. Dobbie, General

Officer in command of Singapore Fortress and of all the Malay Defence Forces. By the end of another week, I was in Hongkong talking to Colonel H. B. Holt, Commissioner of Defence and Security in that vital Empire possession. I had known Colonel Holt when I was in Abyssinia during the war there. He was the British Military attaché and I was guest of the Emperor Haile Selassie at the latter's military Headquarters at Dessie.

THERE HAS BEEN a great deal of paper and ink "rearmament" in our Press. Promises and hopes of the headlines and what was printed below them, have not always been fulfilled. This has been especially applicable to our air armament. If it has deceived anyone, it has been the British people themselves. Paper pasted over a hole does not long conceal the void.

Necessity of maintaining the military secrets of national defence has furnished ground for rumours and reports exaggerating our weakness in the air.

That we are growing stronger is evident from welcome signs that the British Lion is bestirring himself and swishing his tail. That is a cheerful promise for the New Year.

A pity only, that Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald watered his promise regarding the British Colonies with the qualification that it is "not now" an issue.

I hear from what has hitherto been a well-informed source, that Adolf Hitler also told Mr. Pirow, the South African Minister, on his visit to Der Fuehrer in Berchtesgaden, that his demand for the former German

Magistrate's office, but so efficiently did he perform his task, that he was looked upon as a most likely young man for future advancement. In fact, his rise in office was, to say the least, almost meteoric; his first appointment was announced on July 16, 1845 as successor to Mr. Samuel Fearon, the Registrar General, who had resigned his position in order to accept the Chair of Professor of Chinese Language and Literature in King's College, London.

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tained an insight into Chinese psychology and mode of thought, which rendered him invaluable to the Government in an age when the majority of Europeans scorned such an accomplishment as beneath their dignity.

HE, however, retained his post of Registrar-General for only four years, when he tendered his resignation. No reason for this unexpected course is given in the official records, but from Mr. Inglis' own remarks it appears that his act was entirely voluntary, and due solely to his desire to proceed to California in order to join the gold rush, which had now developed into a veritable stampede, luring thousands of every race and condition.

Mr. Inglis left the Colony sometime in June 1849, in company with some twenty or thirty other Hongkong residents, largely discontented adventurers from Sydney, as well as a number of crafty sailors before the mast, who had thrown up their birth in order to answer the magic call of California. Whatever may have been Mr. Inglis' hopes in (Continued on Page 5.)

T. Paul Gregory's Series on Old Hongkong

THE MAN WHO INTRODUCED PRISON REFORM TO THE COLONY

A likeable personality who served this Colony in an official capacity during the early days was Mr. Andrew Lyssaught Inglis, Harbour Master and Marine Magistrate, but better known in old Hongkong as the "Governor of Victoria Gaol."

Mr. Inglis was a man of the loftiest humanitarian sentiments, and, on this account, could be remembered by residents of the present day; for it was entirely due to his efforts that the prison system of the Colony was remodelled so that prisoners were provided with suitable employment and that bane of every convict's life—idleness—was abolished.

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G.M.C. HEAR AMAZING TALE OF DOCTOR AND MARRIED WOMEN

"Guilty" But Not Struck Off

AN amazing story of a married doctor and a married woman, in which allegations of blackmail were made, was told in London recently to the General Medical Council.

Dr. John Christopher Jones, of Glebe, South Yardley, Birmingham, was found guilty of "infamous conduct in a professional respect" by committing adultery with the woman, Mrs. Hesba Woodman, usually known as Mrs. H. M. B. Jones, of Washwood Heath-road, Birmingham, on March 6, 1934, while he was her medical adviser.

The council, however, decided not to erase his name from the medical register.

Mr. A. S. Pereira said the complainant in the case was Mr. Edward Jones, no relative to anyone in the case, but a lifelong friend of Mrs. Woodman and her family.

Mr. Pereira said that in 1922 or 1923 Dr. Jones was medical adviser at Forlode, near Truro, to Mrs. Blamey and her two daughters, Mrs. Puckey and Mrs. Woodman.

Mrs. Woodman, however, was then known as Miss Blamey—she had kept her marriage secret from everyone, even her mother.

In 1923 Dr. Jones was asked by the husband to attend Mrs. Woodman at her second confinement.

After this, according to Dr. Jones, she began to pester him.

Dr. Jones moved to Chatham and the Blameys followed him. Later he went to Australia for 2½ years, returning in 1931 to go into partnership with his brother in Birmingham.

A CRY

Giving evidence, Mr. Edward Jones said that at Chatham in his presence Dr. Jones tried to induce Mrs. Woodman to go to Australia with him, saying he was willing to leave his own family.

He had been paying Mrs. Woodman £1 a week.

In September 1932 he moved to Station-road, Birmingham.

Describing the scene on March 6, 1934, he said at lunch time he was in the kitchen and the children in the drawing room.

"Dr. Jones and Mrs. Woodman were in the dining-room. I heard her cry out and I went to the door."

"Dr. Jones was then about to come out of the dining-room door with the intention of leaving, but I stopped him."

"He said to me, 'Is this what you want?' put his hands up and attacked me."

"The children came on the scene. Mrs. Woodman was on the settee, crying."

"We had a fight, during which the sideboard capstaid and some furniture was broken."

"The children screamed. They were very frightened. Eventually I escorted the doctor out of the door."

"When I saw him next I told him that I was tired of that method of treatment and it was time he put that sort of thing out of his head and let her live a decent life."

"His reply," said Mr. Jones, "was always the same: 'I love her and I want her to go away with me. I shall never be happy until she does.'"

"IN PUBLIC INTEREST"

Cross-examined by Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., for the doctor, Mr. Jones agreed that he was charging Dr. Jones with rape four and a half years ago, of which he knew at the time.

Mr. Roberts: You say you are bringing this charge for protection?—In the interests of the general public.

I suggest to you this charge is brought because Dr. Jones has refused to pay you Mrs. Woodman any more money?—No.

I suggest that in the middle of October of this year you sent a message to Dr. Jones saying that you would withdraw the charge if he would resume payments?—This is the first word I have ever heard of such a thing.

Have you constantly used the threat of this tribunal as a lever to get money out of him?—I have never used that threat at all at any time.

Mr. Roberts: I have to suggest to you that you are a liar and a blackmailer. I am not a liar, and I am certainly not a blackmailer.

Mr. Jones denied that before Dr. Jones went to Australia he (the doctor) sent Mrs. Woodman £100.

Mr. Roberts: On the occasion of this rape—March 6, 1934—was Mrs. Woodman screaming for you?—Yes.

Mr. Roberts produced two cheques from Dr. Jones made out in the name of Mrs. Jones. They were dated 27-3-34 and 28-3-34, and were for £2 and £3.

Mr. Roberts: In addition to your threats to Dr. Jones, did you begin in 1933 also threatening his wife?—I have never spoken to her and I would not know her if I saw her.

Did you telephone her and ask her if she was interested in divorce?—No.

Mr. Roberts' last question was, "I suggest that none of your actions in this matter has been actuated by motives of public benefit. I suggest they all have been actuated by motives of blackmail."

"No, they have not," replied Mr. Jones.

"SAVED"

Mr. Pereira said he had been instructed by Mr. Jones that if the evidence of Mrs. Woodman, which would be of a painful nature, could not be given in camera, and unless she could be referred to as Mrs. Jones, and not as Mrs. Woodman, he would not allow her to be called.

The council refused the application, and to the case for the complainant closed.

In evidence Dr. Jones said Mrs. Woodman was always saying that she had saved him—meaning that she could have reported him to the council.

Mr. Roberts: Is there any truth whatever in this allegation of rape?—Absolutely none.

Asked to tell what happened on March 6, 1934, Dr. Jones, speaking with great emotion, said:



Pauline Neubronner and Cynthia and Rosalind, daughters of Mr. D. O. Silver, as they appeared in the Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, "Cinderella"—King's Studio.

G.M.C. Hear Widow's Plea For Doctor Who Killed Her Husband

BROUGHT from prison to appeal for his future career before the General Medical Council in London recently, Dr. David Davidson Watson, of Wakefield, serving a 20 months' sentence for manslaughter, read letters from the mother and widow of the man he killed.

The widow said: "I hope from the bottom of my heart you will be able to continue your good work among the sick."

The doctor pleaded that to be struck off the register "can only be equaled by imprisonment for life," but he pleaded in vain.

The Council ordered his name to be erased.

Watson was sentenced at Manchester Assizes in July for manslaughter by killing a cyclist as he drove a car while under the influence of drink.

Mr. F. P. Winterbottom, acting solicitor to the Council, said that Watson was before the Council in May, 1936, following a conviction for being drunk in charge of a car.

Watson told the Council that a cyclist turned into his path from the wrong side of the road; he swerved to his own wrong side to avoid this cyclist, and as he was returning to his proper side two other cyclists rode in front of him. He hit the back wheel of one of the machines.

He had had two small whiskies and a glass of beer.

"THE IRONY OF IT"

"I have come from prison to-day, and to prison I go back to-night," Watson said. "What my reactions will be in prison to-night—whether different from what they have been before—depends on you, gentlemen."

"The irony of the thing is that the unfortunate person who was killed was a patient of my own. Since going to prison I have had letters from his wife and from his mother."

Mrs. Robey's Divorce Court Plea

Mrs. Ethel Wade, wife of George Robey, the comedian, recently applied to Mr. Justice Langton, in the Divorce Court, to have a decree nisi granted to her in April made absolute.

The marriage took place in 1899.

Colonial Administration School At Oxford

London.

THAT the University's next Summer School on Colonial Administration will be held in 1940 is announced by the Oxford Society in the winter number of their journal, "Oxford," published recently. It is generally thought, state the Society, that it would be a mistake to make the School an annual event.

The second session of the School held under the auspices of the Social Studies Research Committee at Lady Margaret Hall from June 27 to July 8 last, under the chairmanship of Professor Coupland, with Miss Perham as vice-chairman. More than 100 Colonial officials home on leave attended, including 21 from Malaya (three of whom were Malays).

The session was opened by the Vice-Chancellor of the University and the Secretary of State for the Colonies. In the course of a speech in which he defined the goal of British Government as "the ultimate establishment of the various colonial communities as self-supporting and self-reliant members of a great

commonwealth of peoples and nations," Mr. Macdonald assured the Vice-Chancellor of the warm support accorded to the School by the Colonial Office and the Colonial Governments.

The sequence of lectures followed an inaugural address by Lord Lugard. The background of world politics and economics was sketched by Sir Alfred Ernest Barker and Mr. H. D. Henderson, while Lord Lothian spoke on India and Professor Gibb on Islam.

For comparison with British administration in Africa and Malaya, Mr. Hobart dealt with Indian and Monsieur Marzouki with Belgian Administration.

SCIENTISTS' NEW HOPES IN FIGHT WITH CANCER

IN a laboratory barely out of earshot of the Oxford Street traffic three young research workers have laboured for five years to study the effect of massive quantities of radium on cancer.

An important advance in the campaign against cancer may be announced in the report on their first four years' work to be published by the Medical Research Council in about a fortnight's time.

This was hinted recently by Sir William Bragg, president of the Royal Society, who declared that the research had proceeded "with no little success."

The three workers are Miss Constance A. P. Wood, radiotherapist, formerly research radiologist at King's College Hospital; Dr. T. Anthony Green, assistant radiologist, who came to this country from New Zealand; and Mr. L. G. Grimmett, physicist, who installed the original radium plant at Westminster Hospital.

They have worked in co-operation with Dr. Roy Ward, medical director of the Radium Institute.

Research has been with a method known to scientists as "beam therapy," in which use is made of massive irradiation from a large quantity of radium.

First experiments on these lines were made just after the war with 2½ grammes of radium from the stock held by the Government for military purposes. The results were so discouraging that after 18 months the experiment ended and the radium was distributed among hospitals.

NEW COMMITTEE

Developments by Stockholm and Paris scientists indicated the need for further experiment with radium

"Surely these people would not write to me if they thought I was entirely to blame. They would have some grudge against me, but they don't."

The widow wrote: "I thought I must write you again to say baby and myself are both well. I have met several people lately who knew you and appreciate your services."

MOTHER'S SYMPATHY

The mother's letter said: "I hope you are keeping very well. It must all be very trying to you, and I offer you my sympathy. I am sure that, given an opportunity of beginning again, you will make good."

Watson said that he had no private means and no other calling. His friends had stood by him. A doctor had offered him help.

He spoke of his 20 months' discomfort, "to be measured by the hour, by the day, by the week, and by the month."

"You are, in effect, being asked to-day to sentence me a second time for the same offence," he declared.

He produced a number of letters. One from the Mayor of Wigan stated that Watson's present punishment was severe and that he sincerely hoped that he might have the opportunity of assisting him.

EUROPEAN MISSING

Chief Engineer of Ship At Kowloon Dock

Charles Christian, aged about 60, of Aberdeen, chief engineer of the British ship Deslock, has been missing since he left the vessel at Kowloon Dock at 3 a.m. on Wednesday.

Christian walked off the ship at the eastern jetty and has not been heard of since. His clothes and other belongings are in his cabin.

A search in the vicinity and inquiries by the police have been fruitless.

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NO HOPE OF COMING THROUGH!



WHAT A FINISH!—The poor chap in the middle is having a tough time getting through. The finish of one of the boys' races at the Children's Annual Sports held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on New Year's Day.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

Here And There With "Abe"

Better Umpires Needed For Junior Cricket

WITH the Junior League matches starting on Saturday, this is a good time as other to bring up a point in connection with cricket matches in the Colony to which sufficient attention, I feel, has never been paid. I refer to the question of umpires for our League matches. While many senior teams take the trouble to bring along their own umpires, few junior sides do; and consequently the choice of officials in junior games generally depends upon who is present on the ground when an innings commences or what players are available to officiate—a haphazard procedure which should not be allowed to continue in important matches. Everyone will appreciate that it would be most difficult for the League to supply umpires for every match; but at the same time, it is equally obvious to anybody who knows anything about the standard of umpiring in local junior games that something should be done in the matter. It is only fair to both batsmen and bowlers that greater discrimination be shown in the selection of umpires where points are at stake.

Captain's Duty

THERE are many cricketers here and elsewhere who do not believe in the League system. But the fact remains that we have a League competition in Hongkong, and this being so, it is only right that it be conducted properly. I am not suggesting that the League should come forth now and appoint two umpires for every official game. Of course, this would be the best step to take, and one of these days perhaps we will see it done; but at the present moment the next best thing would be for the captains either to follow the foot-steps of the senior skippers by having

their own umpires or seeing to it that the people they send out to take charge of a match know something about the laws of the game. A little pain taken in this matter at the start might save a great deal of embarrassment and even unpleasantness later on. It is all very well to say that an umpire's decision is final, but when one is given out by an umpire who obviously does not know much about the laws of cricket, one cannot help doubting the correctness of the decision.

Queer Decisions

FEW cricketers not playing in Junior cricket in the Colony realise how poor the standard of umpiring is. Only this season I have seen some very peculiar decisions given by umpires who obviously knew very little about cricket. Three weeks ago, I heard an "umpire" asking what the six chips in the umpire's gown were for. This same "umpire" knew nothing else except "middle stump" when a batsman wanted his guard and was completely mystified when "two-leg" was asked for. Subsequently he gave two men out leg-before-wicket while he was standing closer to mid-on than to the stumps! There was another instance of an umpire giving a man not out in the following circumstances. A batsman jumped out to hit a ball and missed it; the ball also beat the wicket-keeper and was deflected to first slip, who promptly threw down the wicket with the batsman still out of his crease. An appeal, of course, was made and the umpire's verdict was "Not Out." His reason: the ball was dead! There was another classic example of ignorance of the rules which proved extremely amusing at the time to everyone except the batsman who had been given out l.b.w. only

ARMSTRONG FALL WAS BIG HOAX

Los Angeles, Dec. 23. "Homicide" Henry Armstrong revealed to-day why he caused the postponement of his bout with Ceforino Garcia of the Philippines Nov. 2 to Nov. 25.

The Negro welterweight and lightweight champion said he knew he was not in condition when he finished training for the welter title bout with the Filipino "bolo puncher."

Knowing he could not give a fight that would satisfy the fans, he "took a couple of good heavy falls in front of several witnesses" to cause postponement of the bout.—United Press.

Worth The Trouble

THESE are only a few examples of the sort of thing which junior cricketers have to contend with here. All these would not have arisen if the captain had shown greater discrimination in the choice of umpires. Judging by the results of matches played during the present season, junior teams seem to be fairly evenly-matched and competition is certain to be very keen. In the circumstances, extra care should be taken that decisions given are as fair as can be; it would be extremely unfortunate if bad decisions were allowed to affect the result of any League game. To avoid this, captains ought to pay a little more attention to the question of umpires. The trouble is worth it.

Snooker Record

TO settle all arguments regarding "What is a record break at snooker?" I have elicited the official views of Mr. J. C. Bisset, chairman of the Billiards Association and Council, writes Geoffrey Simpson.

He agrees that the maximum possible under all normal circumstances is 147, that being 15 reds, 15 blacks, and all colours up to the black.

"But it is just conceivable," he pointed out, "that a player might score a break of 155. If one player committed a foul and the next player could then pot a colour (counting as a red) and the black, and proceed to collect the 147 in addition. In the event of such a thing happening, we should have to recognize it as a record break of 155."

Standard

TO settle another argument, all world record breaks have to be made on standard-size tables. The difference in pocket aperture between the official standard table and some club tables is often quite small, but an eighth of an inch can make vast difference to a first-class professional.

Joe Davis's new world's record of 138, made recently was accomplished on a standard table, and the table has already been officially measured.

One More Attempt

WALTER Hagen, four times winner of the British Open Golf title, does not intend to retire until he has had at least one more shot at the championship.

At the age of 40 the famous American golfer was said to be contemplating retirement, but he said that he was keenly anticipating a trip to Britain next year.

Hagen, who is reputed to have earned £50,000 during his 25 years' golfing career, added that all he hoped for was a "break" in the weather. "I'm bound to get one before I put away my tools," he said.

SECOND CRICKET TEST ENDS

"THE PILGRIM" TAKES A HOLIDAY

As "The Pilgrim," our Hockey Correspondent, is on holiday, no Hockey Notes are being published to-day, nor for the next two Thursdays. "The Pilgrim's" next contribution will appear on Thursday, January 19.

Henry Cotton Asks £2,000 For Five Weeks' Golf Tour

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

WITH a new four-years contract with Ashridge Golf Club in his pocket, and the way clear for him to travel abroad, Henry Cotton, the man of surprises, has given his fellow-professionals something else to bite on. He is requesting a payment of £2,000 for his proposed five-weeks tour of America.

You can imagine them saying "What! £2,000 for five weeks? Why—that's £400 a week for playing golf. What a nerve he's got!"

Even the American P.G.A., who are now cabling Cotton offering to arrange a playing schedule for him, are liable to be surprised. In the United States they are accustomed to their sporting stars setting the pace in the matter of fees, but here is a Britisher out-stripping them all.

Moreover, our Henry wants his expenses paid. "I think a fair remuneration for a five-weeks tour in the States would be £2,000 clear," he says.

"I shall be losing money, anyway, by not taking part in the early British tournaments—and then there's my work at Ashridge."

ENVIOUS EYES

There is no doubt that the spectacle of Cotton pulling down £5,000 a year causes envious eyes to be cast from certain quarters. And the way things are moving for him, his income is going to make a further upward jump.

In a short while he starts a stage appearance at the London Coliseum at £300 a week. It will be a straight-forward golf show. He is expected to give a talk on golf technique and demonstrate different shots.

If you want to play a round with him at Ashridge, it costs you £2. I believe he accommodates club members at the cut rate of £1.

Money comes to him in other ways, so when he is invited to break into his routine for a job such as this American trip, he takes the attitude "My price is so-and-so. If you can't pay it, or don't wish to, then we won't bother each other further."

INDEPENDENT

Do you blame him? I don't. And if some of those who are so ready to attack his assessment of himself would only stop to think, they would realise that Henry Cotton is doing a great deal to raise the standard of the golf professional.

The Cotton methods pay. Though not at present the open champion, he earns more than any of his contemporaries.

He owns a house which cost £5,000, and eight acres of land. He is heavily insured, and by his attitude towards those in search of his services he has evidently reached the happy stage of being more or less financially independent.

And he is only 31.



Leut. Skelton, who has been in fine form in nearly every major match played by the Navy this season, especially in the Triangular Tournament. Photo by A. A. Kahn.

IN TAME DRAW AT CAPE TOWN

After the failure of the M.C.C. to dismiss the remaining South African wickets before lunch yesterday, the Second Test, played at Cape Town, fizzled out into a tame draw.

In reply to the M.C.C. total of 559 for nine wickets declared, the South Africans made 286 in their first innings, and in the follow-on, they had scored 201 for two wickets when stumps were drawn.

Cape Town, Jan. 4.

The weather was glorious to-day when a crowd of only 500 saw Balaskas and Nourse resume the batting. The wicket was wearing slightly at the ends and promised to assist the spin bowlers whom Hammond brought into action immediately.

Only one run had been added to the overnight score of 213 when Balaskas was caught at mid-off by Paynter off Verity's third over. Although he had scored only 29 he had been very aggressive and hit five fours.

Verity, who had been bowling very accurately had an analysis at this stage of one wicket for four runs in seven overs, five of which were maidens.

Nourse reached his century in 242 minutes, including a six and nine fours. He then became most aggressive and sent several to the fence. At lunch the score was seven for 283, Nourse having compiled 120 and Melville, who was batting with a runner, 20.

A crowd of 600 saw the resumption of the game and early disaster for with the first ball Verity got Nourse's leg before. The ball hit Nourse's toe and he started to run for a leg-by but the umpire upheld Verity's appeal. Nourse had batted for 200 minutes to gather his 120, and had hit a six and 12 fours. Grand cutting and driving marked his batting.

The end came soon afterwards. Melville was bowled by Verity for 23 and Gordon was stamped by Ames from a Goodard for a duck. The innings closed at 280 and South Africa followed on.

EARLY MISFORTUNE

The South Africans met with early misfortune in their second innings. Mitchell, who opened as usual with Van Der Byl, nicked the fourth ball of Farnes' second over, an out-swinging, into the hands of Ames after scoring only one run. The total was two.

After this, however, Van Der Byl and Rowan batted confidently. They hoisted the 50 after 60 minutes, and at ten they were still together with the score taken to 87 for one wicket. Van Der Byl had 47 to his name and Rowan 33.

Gibb, the Yorkshire and Cambridge player, kept wickets after the tea adjournment as Ames had a sore finger.

Van Der Byl was aggressive and reached his 50 in 91 minutes, having hit five fours.

The 100 went up after the South African innings had been in progress for 97 minutes. Rowan also completed his 50, which had taken 103 minutes. At 149, a separation was effected, Van Der Byl having the misfortune to hit down his wicket whilst playing Goodard. He had scored 87 runs in 139 minutes, his best shots being a six and nine fours. Rowan and Nourse continued steadily until close of play, by which time the South African total had risen to 201.

Rowan's share was 80. He had

Australians Reject M.C.C. Proposal

Melbourne, Dec. 29.

The Cricket Board of Control to-day rejected the M.C.C.'s proposal to limit test matches in Australia to 30 hours. They welcomed, however, a suggestion to play five-day matches against England.—Reuter.

batted for three hours for his runs and hit seven fours. Nourse had 19. Scores:

M.C.C.	
1st Inns.	559 (for 9 decd.)
S. AFRICA—1ST INNS.	
B. Mitchell, b Wright	42
P. G. Van Der Byl, c Valentine, b Verity	37
E. A. Rowan, b Wright	6
A. D. Nourse, l.b.w., b Verity	120
A. W. Briscoe, l.b.w., b Goodard ..	2
W. W. Wade, c Edrich, b Verity ..	10
A. B. C. Langton, l.b.w., b Goodard	0
X. Balaskas, c Paynter, b Verity ..	29
Melville, b Verity	23
G. Gordon, st. Ames, b Goodard ..	0
E. Q. Davies, not out	0
Extras	17
Total	286

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
Farnes	13	3	37
Edrich	5	1	15
Goodard	28	15	64
Wright	20	3	83
Verity	36.6	13	70
Fall of wickets:—1 (Van Der Byl) for 40; 2 (Rowan) for 70; 3 (Mitchell) for 151; 4 (Briscoe) for 160; 5 (Wade) for 170; 6 (Langton) for 177; 7 (Balaskas) for 214; 8 (Nourse) for 283; 9 (Gordon) for 283, 10 (Melville) for 283.			

S. AFRICA—2ND INNS.	
Mitchell, c Ames, b Farnes	
Van Der Byl, ht. wkt., b Goddard	
Rowan, not out	
Nourse, not out	
Extras	

BOWLING ANALYSIS			
	O.	M.	R.
Farnes	8	1	23
Edrich	3	1	5
Verity	10	5	13
Wright	12	0	62
Goodard	11	1	68
Hammond	9	0	25

Royal Scots—Win Junior Shield Soccer Match

In a re-arranged Junior Shield soccer match at Sookunpoo yesterday, the Royal Scots' second eleven only just managed to scrape through against their Third Division opponents, 24th Battery, R.A., by the only goal of the match.

As a matter of fact, the Gunners were unlucky to be eliminated from the competition as they had more of the play than their opponents. However, they had only themselves to blame for not scoring goals; they did everything but put the ball into the net.

The only goal scored in the match came within five minutes of the commencement. In attempting to clear, Minahull, the Gunners' goalkeeper, had the misfortune to knock the ball into the net when tackled by Williams.

On the whole, the game was a rather dull affair.

LEAGUE TIES

Stanley scored a comfortable victory at Happy Valley yesterday over 5th Brigade, R.A., in the "A" Section of the Third Division League by five goals to one. The game was fast and interesting, but the superior marksmanship of the Stanley team told in the end.

Scorers were Wooldridge (3) and Freer (2) for Stanley, and Saunders for the Brigade.

UNIVERSITY BEATEN

The Stonecutters W/S had little difficulty in beating the University in the "B" section by three goals to nil. The game was uninteresting owing

Easy Rugby Win For Hampshire

London, Jan. 4. Playing in the County Rugby Championship at Portsmouth to-day, Hampshire defeated Sussex by 14 points to nil.—Reuter.

EDINBURGH BEATEN ON OWN GROUND

London, Jan. 4. In the second division of the Scottish Football League, Edinburgh, at home, lost to Dundee United by 4-1 to-day.—Reuter.

COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council will be held in the Association's rooms, the Bank of Canton, on Monday, January 9, at 8.30 p.m.

At the Banquet held at the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday, Nov. 9th, 1938, Sir Frank Bowater, Lord Mayor, the following wines were served:—

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By Ernie Bushmiller

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FIRST-MINUTE SHOCK BEATS OXFORD

ANNUAL SOCCER MATCH FEATURED BY SPLENDID RALLY BY THE LOSERS

By Norman Ackland

Oxford Univ. 3 Cambridge Univ. 5

London, Dec. 5.

Oxford's fate was sealed in the inter-Varsity match at Dulwich when a miskick by Disney let Hollins through to score in the first minute.

By the time the Dark Blues had recovered from this early shock they were three points down, and though they afterwards provided most of the excitement by staging a grand rally, the terrific effort involved left them a tired, dispirited side, and Cambridge were well on top at the finish.

It was a thrilling if not a classic encounter, and the experiment of playing the match on a Saturday on an amateur club's ground was a distinct success—there were 8,000 spectators, compared with a little over 2,000 at Highbury last year.

Oxford's defence never realized the promise shown in earlier games of the term. Davies put tremendous zest into his work at left-half, but Schofield was not up to form and there was a notable weakness at right-half, where Crompton had not the speed to cope with the lively Cambridge left wing.

After a shabby start Parry-Jones and Disney settled down to defend steadily, but with the men in front of them overplayed for long periods their task was hopeless.

LOMAS WELL HELD

Individually, Sturdy and Seaford put in some splendid work, but as a line the Oxford forwards did not compare with the Cambridge attack. Lomas, generally regarded as the cleverest Oxford forward, was poorly supported by his partner, Birch, and when he did get the ball could seldom beat Tenison, who discovered how to stop him in last season's match—to drop back to cover instead of trying a deliberate tackle.

No praise could be too high for the cohesive work of the Cambridge forwards. Lees was the only one who did not score, but he was continually making clever openings for his colleagues, who snapped them up quickly.

These forwards got most support from Beeson, who played the game of his life at right-half, and the defenders, inspired by the captain, Templar, all rose to the occasion splendidly.

For some time after Hollins' surprise goal the Oxford defence was at sixes and sevens. Lindley snapped up a through pass from Beeson to add to the lead and from Lindley's corner-kick Goodyear gathered the ball, stendled himself and, taking deliberate aim, shot cleverly through a crowd of players.

DARK BLUES' EFFORT

Three goals down after half an hour's play, Oxford's cause seemed lost, but the match became thrilling in the extreme when the whole team pulled every ounce out of themselves

in a grand effort to save the match. Seaford scored from a scramble in the goal-mouth while Lowcock was lying on the ground, and four minutes later Sturdy ran half the length of the field and, cutting in brilliantly, gave Lowcock no chance with a great shot.

Directly after the interval Seaford equalised from Sturdy's pass, and for a few minutes Oxford appeared to have mastered the situation. But they faltered, and Washington picked up a pass from Lees to give Cambridge the lead again, and he scored another great goal from a pass by Hollins a few minutes later.

Subsequently both teams were obviously feeling the effects of the terrific pace maintained in the first half, but Cambridge never looked like relaxing their grip on the game.

OXFORD UNIV.: J. V. Naylor (Ashburyton, Essex), J. V. Parry-Jones (Llanwyst, Jesus), H. A. S. Disney (Winchester, B.N.C.), P. R. Crompton (Charterhouse, Surrey), S. Schofield (Hilton G.S., B.N.C.), H. A. Davies (Bradford, B.N.C.), R. J. Sturdy (Munro, Jamaica, Univ.), J. L. P. Gardner (Bradfield, Pembroke), H. S. Seaford (Repton, Orrell), J. H. Birch (Hansfield, B.N.C.), J. H. Lomas (Charterhouse, New Coll.), CAMBRIDGE UNIV.: R. L. Lowcock (Bradfield, Trinity), C. G. K. Parsons (London Univ., Cath.), N. W. Beeson (Malvern, Cath.), W. R. Cliff-Hodges (Winchester, Trinity), D. F. Rowe (Manchester G.S., Downing), L. D. Hollins (Bablake, Downing), K. Goodyear (Palmer's, Gray, Cath.), V. Lees (Stockton G.S., Cath.), E. S. Washington (Newcastle-under-Lyme, Queens), A. F. Lindley (Ackworth, Emmanuel).

NEW YEAR GOLFING RESULTS

The following were the results of competitions played in the New Year Meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling:

Mixed Bogey Pool, New Course.—Col. and Miss King, 2 up, won. There were ten entries.

Bogey Par Pool, New Course.—H. J. Armstrong (10), 2 up, won. There were twenty-two entries.

Bogey Par Pool, Old Course.—L. C. F. Bellamy (22), 3 up, won. J. Stenerson (15), all square, won second prize on the last nine holes from A. E. Lissaman (3), also all square. There were 58 entries.

Medal Round, Old Course.—R. G. K. Way, 65-24=71, won. There were twenty-two entries.

LADIES TOURNAMENTS

Draw for Captain's Cup (1938) And Club Championship

The draw for the Captain's Cup (1938) Competition of the Ladies Section, the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, resulted as follows:

Mrs. Hillier v. Mrs. Shevan; Mrs. M. Bell v. Mrs. Walker; Mrs. Cassidy v. Mrs. Whyte-Smith; Mrs. Collis v. Miss Glendinning; Mrs. Williams v. Mrs. Morrison; Mrs. Stewart v. Mrs. Mundy; Mrs. Piercy v. Mrs. Mackenzie; Mrs. Woodward v. Mrs. Overy.

The first round to be played by January 27; second round by February 10; third round by February 20. The final to be arranged.

Club Championship (1938):

Mrs. Mackenzie v. Mrs. Woodward; Mrs. Whyte-Smith v. Mrs. Cassidy; Mrs. Hillier v. Mrs. Redmond; Mrs. Gilmore v. Mrs. A. B. Thomson; Mrs. Henry v. Mrs. Lissaman; Mrs. Robertson v. Mrs. King.

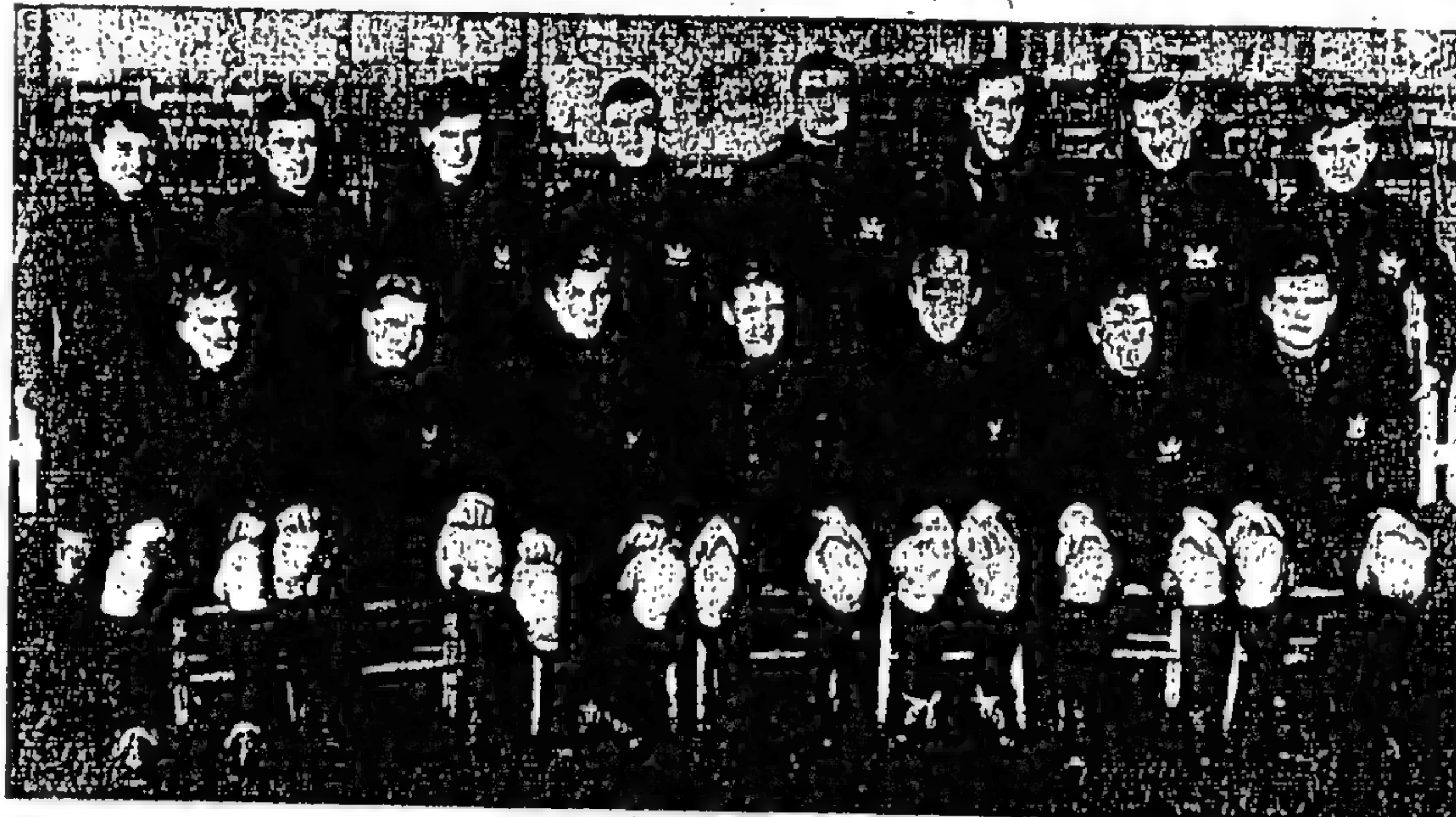
Bye into 2nd Round: Mrs. Shevan v. Mrs. Piercy.

The first round to be played by January 27; second round by February 10; third round by February 20. The final to be arranged.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Sydney, Jan. 4. Queensland beat New South Wales in the Sheffield Shield game by eight wickets. Queensland 200 and 270-2; N.S.W. 216 and 204.—Reuter.

RUGBY TEAMS IN RECENT MATCH



Above is the Oxford XV which lost to Cambridge at Twickenham recently in the annual inter-University rugby match. Left to right, at back: G. A. Hollis, H. Muller, I. W. Sutherland, T. J. Cowen, F. C. Phillips, S. Pether, W. M. Jackson, T. H. Thomas. Seated: H. R. G. Percy, H. H. Pennington, R. M. Marshall, H. D. Frakes (captain), D. G. G. Cole, I. H. Watts, R. E. Luyt.



THE CAMBRIDGE XV—According to custom, only the new Blues are wearing their caps. Left to right, at back: P. Sherrard, M. Dods, J. H. Steeds. Second row: K. I. Geddes, C. L. Newton-Thompson, P. A. R. Lindsay, F. J. Leishman, J. C. Swanson. Seated: T. R. Parry, J. G. B. Forrest, W. O. Chadwick (captain), R. B. Bruce-Lockhart, K. D. Downes. In front: J. Parsons, T. R. Jukes.

WEEK-END CRICKET ELEVENS

The following will represent the Hong Kong University Alumni Association against the Kowloon C.C. on the latter's ground on Saturday: E. Zimmerman (Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, J. Sarrow, S. V. Quinn, D. Hume, C. W. Lam, A. T. Lee, L. T. Rile, W. H. Bling, J. L. Youngs and F. R. Zimmerman.

Recreio 1st XI

The Club de Recreio 1st XI against the Civil Service C.C. at King's Park will be represented by the following: A. M. Rodrigues (Capt.), N. Beltrao, J. Goncalves, E. L. Goiano, L. G. Goiano, H. L. Orosio, A. M. Praia, W. A. Reed, M. N. da Silva, Jr., E. M. L. Soares and A. N. Otero.

Kowloon Teams

The following have been chosen to represent Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday: Firsts v. Alumni Association (friendly) at home: C. C. Fincher, K. M. Baker, R. T. Broadbridge, G. C. Burnett, G. O. Davies, F. P. Fincher, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, N. A. E. Mackay, G. A. White, C. Walker.

Second v. Indians (league) at Soekun-poo: W. Mulcahy (captain), P. A. Broadbridge, H. Brokenshire, R. Baldwin, S. A. Gray, A. Goodham, D. D. Lay, J. R. Lark, W. L. McKinnon, R. N. McKinnon, G. E. Taylor, Reserve, G. W. Giffen, Umpire, A. A. Dand.

HOCKEY MATCH

The Hongkong Hockey Club beat the Navy 2-0 at King's Park yesterday. N. Whitley scored first for the Club early in the first half and S. Fowler increased the lead in the latter stages.

KID BERG TO FIGHT ARMSTRONG

"The chances of a fight between Kid Berg and Henry Armstrong for the latter's world welter-weight title look very favourable," Frankie Jacobs, Berg's manager, told Reuter's New York Correspondent recently.

"I discussed the possibility of such a match yesterday with General J. J. Phelan, of the New York State Athletic Commission, and he told me he saw no reason why Jack should not have a crack at the title."

"I believe that he will not only get the fight, but that he will beat Armstrong. Berg is going great guns now, and he has got the right style to defeat the Negro, because to beat Armstrong you have got to fight him at his own game."

NAVY BEAT CLUB

A Navy XV proved too strong for the Club "A" in a friendly rugby game played on the Club ground yesterday, the Navy winning by 9-0 after leading by six points to nil at the interval.

Scorers for the Navy were Stead, Solis and Thomas, while Stewart got the Club's points late in the second half.

SQUASH TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD

It is proposed to hold a squash tournament commencing on January 16, and concluding on February 10 or earlier if possible.

Entries, which must be accompanied by a fee of \$1, will be received by the Assistant Hon. Secretary, Cricket Club Pavilion, Chater Road, up to 4 p.m. on January 11, and the draw will be published in the local press on January 14.

Matches will be the best of five games, and up to the semi-finals may be played on any courts in the Colony. The semi-finals and final will be played on the Club No. 1 Court.

SOCCER

AMATEURS

TO MERGE

London, Jan. 4. The leading amateur football clubs, the Corinthians and Casuals, which are now controlled by a joint committee, have agreed in principle to merge at the end of the present season.—Reuter Special.

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Up to your neck in yokes

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Yokes appear on everything this year—coats, frocks, jerseys, and particularly blouses. They are becoming, make a shoulder fit well. This one is straight-forward—diagonal pin-tucks, carried right on over the sleeves, making a checkboard yoke on a white satin blouse.



Deep circular tucks run from shoulder to shoulder of this burgundy red crepe blouse. (These rounded lines are good if you are slim.) The blouse is burgundy red, the stitching round the tucks pale cyclamen pink. Stitched tucks on above-the-ribbons sleeves follow the same line as the yoke.



More dressy idea for an afternoon blouse. This is a heavy violet silk with full maggy sleeves, wide cuffs. It fastens up the front with a strip of deep crimson embroidery, and the same embroidery makes a scalloped yoke. The yoke is plain, the rest of the blouse paneled, with a seam running from each scallop.



Tailored cut on a jersey blouse. This has raglan sleeves, cut in on a slant to the neck. The pointed yoke runs out on the shoulder, ends in a high stock neck-line, fastened with three buttons. Edges of the yoke are stitched with a tinsel thread. Blouse fits tightly into a narrow waist.

Beautiful Hands

UGLY hands will often spoil a pretty face. This may sound far-fetched, but it is true. They may quite possibly take the illusion out of a charming personality. Here, therefore, are a few hints on how to deal with hand troubles.

One of the commonest troubles is redness. This may be due either to bad circulation or to woefully and washing and drying. Anyway, the following tips will help both causes. An invaluable exercise for the hands is to move all the fingers vigorously as if typing. Do it until the hands are tired, then rest and do some more. Incidentally, this also makes the hands supple, which is another beauty point to be aimed at. To vary the above exercise, tap the fingers briskly on a table, again as if typing. This brings the blood to the hands and finger-tips.

If you feel that you are wasting your time in doing these things, then do them while you are listening-in to a wireless programme, or even reading. It is quite easy, and you can adopt the same time-saving procedure for any of the following ideas.

After Washing

As regards washing, lather and rub and wash the hands well to get all the dirt out, then wipe absolutely dry, rubbing briskly with the towel to get the blood moving. Then make it a habit to apply a little hand-lotion after each wash, to prevent roughness and wrinkles. Find a good feeding lotion and rub in energetically. Keep some lotion handy by both wash-basin and sink. If your hands are in a very bad state, do the following as an extra treatment until they show improvement. Rub olive oil generously into fingers and hands, wipe off most of it, then wash well with a super-fatted soap and finish with hand-lotion.

In any case, and particularly if your hands show a tendency to scragginess, it is good to give the hands a periodical "feed." Use a good feeding cream and rub it in to every part of the hands. Wipe off most of it, put on some loose gloves, and go to bed like that.

For Large Knuckles

Protruding knuckles should have a somewhat similar treatment. Keeping each finger taut, rub some feeding cream into each knuckle. The best way is to hold each knuckle joint between finger and thumb of the other hand and to tap and press by opening and shutting the two gripping fingers.

All these treatments, by the way, will also help to keep rheumatism and chilblains at bay. Look to your nails also. If they are in bad condition, either liable to break or become ridged, soak them periodically in some hot olive oil, then wipe off only superfluous fat, and go to bed with loose gloves on them. This feeds and strengthens them.

Never forget to push the skin down at the base of the nail every time you wash your hands.

We cannot all have naturally beautiful hands, but we can do much to help them in that direction.

Anne Morris

Polishing Points

When washing linens, use a drying cloth which has been wrung out in a little boiled starch.



Mulberry ring velvet makes this charming afternoon frock with the new eased yoke.

Glossy checks for a pleated dress to wear on a morning walk in the country.

* Mary Grace chooses—

GUEST FROCKS

for the week-end suitcase

A WEEK-END away in the winter makes a grand break, but if you are in your 'teens or early twenties the worrying thought may crop up "what clothes shall I need?"

This week I am giving two general utility dresses that will put you right on top of the world, as they will carry you over your winter week-end visiting with the greatest of ease.

When you are young you must needs study the pennies, so I have modelled these frocks with material that is just round about two shillings a yard, and yet is up to the minute of fashion.

Just think how attractive the frock on the left of the sketch, No. 1205, would look in velvet.

An afternoon dress in this fabric looks good all the time; it is practical, yet has an expensive air. I suggest ring velvet for this.

For the fashionable redhead there is a deep laurel green, sapphire blue, mulberry or black. The baby blonde will look charming in sea blue, geranium red, dahlia or jade green. Brunettes should choose claret red, dragonfly green or a golden brown. All sensible colours, you'll notice, that do not soil quickly.

A simply cut and easy-to-make style with alternative sleeves, one fitting to wrist and the second short and squared at shoulder. The bodies have the fashionable yoke line attractively eased, and a neat fitting skirt.

On the right is just the very frock, No. 1206, to wear under your coat if you are off for a spin in the car or for a Sunday morning walk in the country.

This, too, has a pretty yoked top, and the pattern is marked for cutting if you like a short sleeve. Glossy checks are the latest news in patterned designs, and I have had this practical frock designed in this type of material.

New Evening Wear

VARIETY is the spice of the new evening gowns. You can look demurely Victorian in a crinoline, or be stately and tall in a draped dress made of some soft clinging material, or you can adopt the corsetted waistline and wide, flared skirt which add interest to many of the season's evening fashions.

There is practically no limit to the range of materials and colours, and necklines have, perhaps, never been so individualistic. There are high and low necklines, and of course, the strapless shoulder line is stylish.

Among the new styles, most of which are of Paris inspiration, is a beautiful black gown similar to one worn by the Duchess of Kent. It has a very full skirt, and an em-

phasized waistline with a zipper fastener down one side. On the corsege is a cluster of pink roses, and over the gown is worn a dainty small lace shoulder cape.

Striking colour contrasts are featured in many of the gowns shown, for instance, bright purple is effectively allied with magenta, and a cyclamen pink dress is trimmed around the graceful neckline with dark blue and finished with a huge dark blue and pink bow on the front.

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ACROSS

- 1—Author of "Hans Brinker"
- 2—Fictional use of word "Id"
- 3—Logical grounds for thinking
- 4—College head
- 5—Device for indicating direction of wind
- 6—Leave condense
- 7—With many years of life
- 8—Fast worker
- 9—Maintained vigor
- 10—Proctor
- 11—Woodland dwelling
- 12—Basket of fruit
- 13—American flag
- 14—Fiction cell
- 15—Give confidence to
- 16—Spoiled beauty of
- 17—Derived as standard of measurement
- 18—Burred
- 19—Part of strain
- 20—Kind of gem
- 21—Shrilling tricks
- 22—Crane
- 23—Lark's nest
- 24—Behind at time
- 25—Unit of currency
- 26—Tending to secede

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Portions of surface
2—Amount above and for temporary use
3—Goddess of agriculture
4—Rationalism
5—Western dish
6—Sharpshooter
7—Lark's nest
8—Allies to grammar, as fat
9—Process for preparing
10—Discrimination
11—In use remote
12—One who damages
13—Long and narrow arm of sea
14—Inexorable
15—Disposed to India
16—British reception
17—Surfer's little to
18—Leave of care
19—Authorized
20—Small valley
21—Wander aimlessly
22—Christian festival
23—Article of apparel
24—Metric unit
25—Are (franchise)
26—Bird
27—Are land of
28—Feed to satisfy
29—Plant of wood
30—Carapace
31—South American

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SAILORS FROM H.M.S. KENT marching through the streets yesterday to take part in the March Past at Happy Valley. The Commander-in-Chief, Sir Percy Noble, took the salute.—Kahn Photo.

C. P. President's Peace Message

The following New Year message has been received from Sir Edward Beatty, Chairman and President, Canadian Pacific Railway, Montreal:

"To all Officers and Employees: The events of the year now closing have brought home to us the community of interests which exists in the World to-day.

"In Canada we have been blessed in 1938 with good crops with normal activity in our internal commerce and with freedom from all the bitterness which disturb the life of many other nations.

"Yet intimately connected as is the economic life of this nation with conditions in other lands we have been unable to obtain the recovery of production and commercial activities which might have been hoped.

"We have learned that there can be no prosperity except when general peace prevails.

"I said a year ago that we must use caution in forecasting any important improvement in business conditions in 1939. The warning has been justified.

"As we enter 1939 it is necessary to repeat this warning. Recovery of the business activities of this country will depend on peace abroad and wise avoidance of waste at home.

"In such times as these it is with genuine pleasure and pride that the management of this company can again record deep appreciation of the loyalty and efficiency with which the Company's operations are conducted by the army of employees which serves this great organization. Never were loyalty and efficiency more needed and never have they been shown more fully.

"Let us look back on 1938 with gratitude that we were spared great disasters and look forward to 1939 with courage and confidence. To you and all your families I should like to extend my warmest wishes for health and happiness in the New Year."

Grim Street Battle In Tsengshing

Yungyun, Jan. 5.
Grim street fighting raged in Tsengshing, 35 miles north-east of Canton, on Monday morning, when Chinese troops blasted their way into the war-torn city through the north gate, according to military reports.

The Japanese suffered many casualties in the face of the fierce Chinese onslaught and were thrown into a precarious position. However, the timely arrival of heavy Japanese reinforcements from Canton and Shekwan, saved the situation.

Under the terrific bombardment of the Japanese the Chinese later withdrew from the city. They wrecked all bridges and heavily damaged the highways in the outskirts of Tsengshing.

While the attack on Tsengshing was going on, another Chinese unit surrounded 200 Japanese at Shekwan, a hill in the neighbourhood of the city. Over 80 casualties were inflicted on the Japanese there.—Central News.

Puppets Attempt To Weaken Currency

Peking, Jan. 4.
The Ministry of Finance of the Japanese-sponsored Chinese provincial government here announces that from February 20, the currency of the Chinese National Government still circulating in North China, will be subject to a further 30 per cent. discount against the Federal Reserve Bank currency.

This makes a total of 40 per cent. discount officially in respect to the National Government's currency.

Helping Britain's Re-armament

London, Jan. 4.
At a meeting yesterday, the advisory panel of industrialists, set up to help in the co-ordination of industrial effort in connection with the re-armament programme, elected as its chairman, Lieut-Colonel J. H. M. Greenly.

BRITAIN'S WORKLESS INCREASE

London, Jan. 4.
The Ministry of Labour estimates at December 12 state that the number of insured persons in employment in Great Britain was approximately 12,263,000. This was 5,000 more than a month before, and about 10,000 more than a year before.

At the same date, the registered unemployed totalled 1,831,372, comprising 1,474,019 wholly unemployed, 204,708 temporarily laid off, and 62,645 normally in casual employment. The total was 3,269 more than a month before, and 165,905 more than a year before. The total included 1,384,922 men, 45,549 boys, 356,580 women, and 44,321 girls.—British Wireless.

Quietness Reigns On Stock Exchange

London, Jan. 4.
The London Stock Exchange was generally quiet, with an easier trend owing to the approach of the end account.

Gilt-edged securities closed around the day's lowest quotations in sympathy with the weakness of sterling. Oils were moderately active in response to the overnight publication of the Royal Dutch and Shell interim dividends, which maintained six per cent. and 7½ per cent. respectively.

Reflecting yesterday's weakness in sterling, the London official gold price was fixed at the new high record of 150/5d. However, sterling was firm owing to Continental profit-taking of dollars, prior to President Roosevelt's address to Congress, and after the fixing, a small business was transacted, with gold down to 150/1d. Wall Street was steady.—Reuter Special.

Premier Gives Cheque Back To Charity

London, Jan. 4.
The Prime Minister has received as a tribute to his efforts in the cause of peace, a generous present from the women of Malta consisting of a Maltese lace tablecloth, a silver model of a Maltese boat, and a cheque for £50.

The Prime Minister has gratefully accepted the silver boat and lace tablecloth, and has asked the Governor of Malta, and organisers of the presentation, to devote the cheque to charity in Malta.—British Wireless.

Nazis Behead A West Front Spy

Berlin, Jan. 4.
The third execution by beheading this year occurred this morning, when Rudolf Szorles of Leipzig was executed.

He was sentenced to death in September last, the indictment stating that he had fled the country to France, and had joined the secret service to spy on the fortifications on Germany's western frontier.—Reuter Special.

TAXI STRIKE ENDS

New York, Jan. 4.
Mayor La Guardia has induced 11,000 taxi-drivers, who went on strike yesterday, to end the strike on Friday on promises of arbitration.—Reuter.

GENERAL MACHIDA DIES

Tokyo, Jan. 5.
General Ketsu Machida, retired, died of an illness at his residence in Tokyo at 10:30 o'clock last night at the age of 74.—Dowry.

Sea Hero "Jumped Into Jaws Of Death"

Lowestoft.
Britain's bravest dead re-acted was performed by a Lowestoft workman, father of nine children.

The hero was William Eade. He and William Cunningham were working on sea defence work at Pakefield, Lowestoft, when they heard cries for help, and saw a woman struggling in the water, which a gale was driving in huge waves against the sea wall.

Eade pulled off his thigh boots, tied a rope round his waist, and jumped over the wall into the breakers.

He reached the woman, grasped her, and fought his way back to the steps.

Time after time he was dashed against the wall, and one of his legs was injured.

WITNESSES' TRIBUTE
Cunningham then jumped into the sea and helped Eade and the woman, who was unconscious, to the shore.

The woman was Mrs. Ethel Lenthall, aged 57, of Fella, St. Anne-on-Sea, a patient in a nursing home here.

"Eade jumped into the jaws of death," an eye-witness said.

"He ran the double danger of being drowned and being battered to pieces against the wall."

Her Eyes For Blind Priest

SENTENCED to die in the electric chair at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Wednesday, Mrs. Anna Hahn offered her eyes to a blind priest or nun.

Mrs. Hahn, who is 31, was convicted of poisoning Richard Wagner, aged 78.

The prosecution also linked her name with 11 other murders.

SON PLEADS
Mrs. Hahn's 15-years-old son, Oscar, visited her in Ohio State Prison. He pleaded for five minutes with the Governor's secretary later for clemency for his mother.

Bus Driver "Service Man"

Houston, Tex.
"Extra-curricular" activities of W. C. (Bill) Fleet has made him a popular bus driver. He wakes early rises with horn blasts so they can catch his bus going back to town, takes care of children for busy mothers, brings ice from town, buys groceries and tips housewives to shopping bargains.

BURNS' NIGHT DINNER ON JANUARY 25

The Hongkong St. Andrew's Society will hold a Burns' Dinner in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday, January 25, commencing at 8.15 p.m.

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CRYING BABY WHO STARVED TO DEATH

PEOPLE mind their own business in Trinity-road, Tooting.

So no one took much notice of the new tenant of the basement flat at No. 103 when she arrived. She said her name was Mrs. Dolly Brown, said she was married to a commercial traveller.

No one saw her receive any callers. Few people ever saw her leave the flat.

In the ground-floor flat at No. 103 Mrs. Brown's landlady, Mrs. Landes, conducted a servants' registry. But she never heard a sound from Mrs. Brown. The floor was sound-proof. None of the five other people in the house ever heard anything either.

Then telegrams began to arrive for Mrs. Dolly Brown. Mrs. Landes tried to deliver them, but the door of the flat was locked. So eventually they sent for the police.

The police broke open the door of Mrs. Brown's flat. They found her dead in bed. In a cot beside her was her four months' old baby girl. She, too, was dead.

Doctors say that Mrs. Dolly Brown died five days ago, from natural causes. They say that her baby died from starvation. She had cried for her mother but no one had heard.

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'WATCH YOUR STEP' WARNING TO THE TOTALITARIANS

Magistrate Interpreter In Own Court

THE NOVEL SIGHT of a Magistrate acting as interpreter in his own Court was witnessed at the Central Magistracy this morning.

One of the witnesses, Father Bos, of the French Mission at Pokfulam Road, could not speak English.

His evidence was translated by the Magistrate, Mr. R. A. D. Forrester.

The Catholic missionary was giving evidence in a case in which Yeung Ngai, 23, and Wong Kwok, 30, coolies employed by the Dairy Farm Company, were charged with illegal possession of tree wood.

Wong was fined \$20. The case against the other defendant was dismissed.

One of the defendants, it was revealed, was arrested in the Mission grounds by a French father.

3 BRITISH SHIPS BOMBED IN SPAIN

BARCELONA, Jan. 4. THREE BRITISH SHIPS in the Barcelona harbour were hit during an air raid this morning.

They included the Stanwell, which was being repaired after being sunk in an air raid last month.

It suffered a direct hit, but is not believed to be seriously damaged.

The other vessels were only struck by splinters, and there were no casualties.—*Reuter Special.*

MANY DIE IN SPANISH RAIDS
During 1938 Britain will launch 45 new warships, with a total tonnage of 355,765.

Barcelona, Jan. 4. At least 40 persons are reported to have been killed, and 30 injured in two air raids on Tarragona to-day.

Twelve insurgent planes carried out the first raid, and bombed and wrecked two passenger trains crowded with refugees.

Then, while rescue parties were recovering the bodies, a second fleet of 25 machines arrived and dropped bombs.—*Reuter.*

THIRCE RAIDED

Paris, Jan. 4. Insurgent planes bombed Tarragona three times during this morning, according to reports from Barcelona.

So far 20 are known to be dead, and more than 40 wounded, but the number of casualties is expected finally to be much higher.

The Tarragona railway station was almost completely destroyed.—*Trans-Ocean.*

EUROPEAN LADIES VICTIMISED

SEVERAL EUROPEAN LADIES were victims of burglars and snatch-thieves yesterday.

Mrs. Goodge, of 3, Gnp Road, reports the loss of a wrist watch, valued at \$50, which was either stolen or lost while she was travelling between her home and the Race Course at Happy Valley.

Mrs. H. Smith, residing at the Knutsford Hotel, was robbed of her bag, containing money and various articles to the total value of \$372, while she was shopping in the Wah Cheong Drapery in Nathan Road.

Mrs. Lau, of 143 Electric Street, was victimised to the extent of \$107 when burglars broke into her dwelling yesterday afternoon.

Thieves also stole a fur coat, valued at \$100, from the verandah of 181 Sai Yee Street, Kowloon, occupied by Mrs. K. Chan. The owner of the coat had placed it out on the verandah to air.

Democracy Must Defend Its Tenets

WASHINGTON, JAN. 4. PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT TO-DAY ADDRESSED THE 76TH UNITED STATES CONGRESS ON THE STATE OF THE NATION.

He referred to previous occasions when he advised Congress of disturbance abroad and the need of putting their own house in order.

"In face of storm signals from across the seas," he said, "a further warning is necessary at the opening of this 76th Congress. A war which threatened to envelop the world in flames has been averted, but it has become increasingly clear that peace is not assured.

"The storms from abroad directly challenge the three institutions which now, as always, are indispensable to Americans. The first is religion, which is the source of the other two—democracy and international good faith.

"In modern civilisation all three complement to each other. Where the freedom of religion is attacked, the attack has come from sources opposed to democracy.

"Where democracy has been overthrown, the spirit of free worship has disappeared. And where religion and democracy have vanished, good faith in international affairs has given way to strident ambition and brute force.

"The ordering of a society which relegates religion, democracy and good faith between the nations to the background, can find no place within it for the ideals of the Prince of Peace. The United States rejects such ordering, and retains its ancient faith.

THERE COMES A TIME

"There comes a time in the affairs of men when they must prepare to defend, not only their homes, but the tenets of faith and humanity upon which their churches, governments, and their very civilisation is founded.

"The defence of religion, democracy and good faith between nations is all the same fight. To one, we must now make up our minds to save all.

"We know what might happen to us of the United States if the new philosophies of force were to encompass other continents, and invade our own. We, no more than any other nation, cannot afford to be surrounded by enemies of our faith and our humanity.

"We propose to do our share of protecting, from the storms from any quarter, this hemisphere, and the ideal of democratic government, and peoples functioning together in mutual respect for peace.

"This does not imply that the United States repudiates its association with the nations in other continents. It does not mean that the republics of America are against the rest of the world.

"We stand on our historic offer to take counsel of all the other nations to the end that aggression between them may be terminated, and the race in armaments cease, and commerce renewed."

The President proceeded to say that if any government, bristling with the implements of war, insists on the policies of power, weapons of defence would give the only safety.

He declared that the God-fearing democracies of the world cannot for evermore let pass, without effective protest, acts of aggression against sister nations—acts which automatically undermine all of us.

They had learned the old, old lesson that the probability of attack was mightily decreased by the assurance of an ever-ready defence. The President said that he would send a special message to Congress in a few days recommending measures for adequate defence.

UNITED DEMOCRACY

Continuing, President Roosevelt said: "If another form of government can present a united front in the attack on democracy, the attack must be met by a united democracy. Such a democracy can, and must exist in the United States.

"Never have there been six years of such far-flung preparedness in the history of the United States.

"All this has been done without any dictator's power of command, without the conscription of labour, the confiscation of capital, concentration camps, and without a scratch on the freedom of speech, the freedom of the press, or the rest of the Bill of Rights.



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

America Hands Note To Italy

ROME, Jan. 4. IT IS OFFICIALLY announced that Mr. William Phillips, the United States Ambassador, handed to Signor Mussolini, in the presence of Count Ciano, a message concerning European and Jewish problems, and possible solutions of a general character.—*Reuter.*

OUTLINES U.S. ATTITUDE

ROME, Jan. 4. In the course of yesterday's visit to Signor Mussolini, Mr. William Phillips, American Ambassador to Rome, is believed to have outlined the American attitude to the world situation, in the light of his talks with President Roosevelt and other American ambassadors.

Contrary to reports, it is thought that he brought no special message from President Roosevelt to Il Duce. The United States is known to be anxious to see the course of events develop peacefully, and is especially concerned about the Far Eastern situation.

Mr. Phillips also discussed the position of American Jews in Italy, who at present are granted exemption from the racial laws, upon application.—*Reuter Special.*

Doesn't Like H.K. Girls

Mr. Foong Gim-tong, who came to Hongkong by Pan-American Clipper in a search for a Chinese girl to represent China at the New York World Fair has abandoned his plans.

He is leaving Hongkong by Philippines Clipper to-morrow for America. His opinion of Chinese girls in Hongkong is not a flattering one.

"I'm sure they're not representative of China's womanhood," he is reported to have said yesterday.

AIR FRANCE DELAYED

The Air France plane which left Hanoi for Hongkong this morning, has been grounded at Fort Bayard by adverse weather.

TOURING WORLD ALONE

A sixty-six year old American lady arrived in Hongkong to-day by the Philippines Clipper.

She is on a round-the-world trip—alone. From Hongkong she will proceed to Peiping.

Roosevelt Speech Reactions

LONDON, Jan. 4.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S admonition to the United States to take a strong stand against aggression has caught the attention of the British nation, which is grimly preparing to face a possible new European crisis in 1939.

The warning coincided with similar warnings received here through diplomatic channels, spurring Britain to a new effort to re-arm.

Early summaries of the speech were rushed to members of the Cabinet and high Government officials, one of whom ventured to observe: "It's what we would like to say if we could."

Thousands of radio sets all over Britain tuned in to the B.B.C. relay, and countless people heard President Roosevelt's voice strong and clear, even the crackling of the paper when he turned the pages of his speech being audible.

At the same time, crowds in the streets eagerly bought the afternoon newspapers, which splashed the speech under banner headlines.

Government quarters are interested chiefly in three points of the speech which are capable of producing concrete results in the field of international politics.

Firstly, the implied recommendations to revise the neutrality laws so that they will no longer work in favour of aggressors, secondly the statement that the democracies, without resorting to war, have the means for discouraging aggression, and thirdly, renewal of the United States offer to enter into consultation with other nations for the restraint of aggression, arms limitation, and a revival of commerce.—*United Press.*

WHAT ITALY THINKS

Rome, Jan. 4. Foreigners and Italians who were able to pick up the broadcast of President Roosevelt's speech from the United States expect it to get far more abuse than praise in the Government-controlled Italian press when it receives instructions to publish comment.

Listeners unanimously regarded the speech as being strong and fearless, which would win much praise in some quarters, but adverse comment in Government circles.

One Italian who heard the speech expressed the opinion that the Fascists would print the President's efforts to base the United States rearmament programme on the Totalitarianism alleged aggressive policy, but he predicted that the newspapers would caustically ask who was threatening United States freedom, and would intimate that the President was trying to justify an armament programme for his imperialistic purpose by making the (Continued on Page 12.)

German Stowaways Go To Detention House

"PENDING YOUR RETURN to Germany, we cannot have you wandering about the Colony doing nothing. I'll put you in the House of Detention until such time as you can be sent back to Germany."

So said Mr. E. Hunsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day to two Germans, Peter Romels, 21, and Hilsmuth Leske, 10, after they had pleaded guilty to charges of having stowed away from Manila to Hongkong on board the Empress of Japan. They were also charged with breaches of the Passport Regulations.

The defendants were found on board the steamer after she had left Manila.

Romels said that he wanted to come to Hongkong because he thought that it would be easier to go from here to Germany than from Manila.

Sergeant V. Mackenzie prosecuted in the case.

JAPAN'S POLITICAL CRISIS

New Cabinet Of Fascists Is Announced

TOKYO, Jan. 5.

BARON HIRANUMA, who was commanded by the Emperor to form a new Cabinet following the resignation of Prince Konoye last night, has completed formation of a new Ministry.

Installation of the new Cabinet will take place in the presence of His Majesty, the Emperor at the Imperial Palace at 4.30 p.m.

Prince Konoye, the outgoing Premier, has consented to become the President of the Privy Council, in succession to Baron Hiranuma, and concurrently Minister without Portfolio.

The newly-organized Ministry is:

Prime Minister Baron K. Hiranuma
Home Minister Marquis K. Kido
Welfare Minister Marquis K. Kido
Foreign Minister Mr. H. Arita
War Minister Lt.-Gen. S. Itagaki
Navy Minister Admiral Yonai
Finance Minister Mr. S. Ishiwata
Commerce and Industry .. Mr. Y. Hattai
Agriculture and Forestry .. Mr. C. Mochida
Education Mr. Baron Araki
Justice Mr. S. Shiono
Overseas Mr. Y. Hattai
Communications Mr. S. Shiono
Railways Mr. Y. Maeda
Without Portfolio Prince Konoye
Chief Secretary Mr. H. Tanabe
Director of Legislative Bureau Mr. S. Higai
President of Planning Board .. Mr. K. Aoki.

* Denotes members of the Konoye Cabinet retaining posts in the new Ministry.

Commenting on the formation of the new Cabinet by Baron Hiranuma, political circles call attention to the appointment of Prince Konoye as the President of the Privy Council and concurrently as the Minister without Portfolio.

The same circles point out that this is the first time that a Minister without Portfolio has been appointed in the Japanese Government. The appointment is calculated to secure the service of Prince Konoye in Cabinet deliberations.

ARMY SUPPORT HIRANUMA

Tokyo, Jan. 5. Following an emergency conference held at the official residence of the War Minister, the Army leaders have decided to support the new Government under Baron Kichiro Hiranuma.

The conference was attended by the War Minister, Lieut.-General Seishiro Itagaki, Lieut.-General Yamawaki, the Vice-Chief of Army General Staff, and Lieut.-General Toshizo Nishio, Inspector-General of Military Education.

The views of the military authorities as discussed at the conference, were communicated to Baron Kichiro Hiranuma, the Premier Designate, when General Itagaki, in (Continued on Page 12.)

"POLITICAL COLLAPSE," SAY PAPERS

THE RESIGNATION of the Konoye Cabinet represented the first sign of Japan's political collapse, declares the "Ta Kung Pao" in an editorial to-day on the latest Japanese Government change.

The journal predicts that a general collapse in Japan's economic structure and social order will become inevitable.

The resignation in the opinion of the paper, was due to difficult circumstances brought about by hopelessness of peace, prolongation of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, inability to dissolve the Diet and fuse all political parties into a national party, the huge budget for the next year, difficulty in the invocation of the entire National Mobilisation Act, the unfavourable turn in Japan's international relations and the stringent financial situation.

The journal envisages a further inclination towards Fascism in Japan with Baron Kichiro Hiranuma heading the Japanese Government.

No matter what changes in Japan's government and its policy, the paper concludes Japan's invasion in China will be an utter failure and the day for the general collapse of Japan's political machinery, economic structure and social order will be nearer and nearer.

The "Shun Pao", commenting on the same subject, states that the Japanese Government change will be merely a reshuffle of personnel but will fail to strengthen its operation. It will (Continued on Page 12.)

LATEST

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R.A.F. Recruiting Record

London, Jan. 4.

Since June, when the Secretary for Air announced that owing to a further expansion of the R.A.F., 1,700 pilots would be recruited, 1,300 candidates have been accepted, leaving only 400 vacancies to be filled in the next three months.

These 400 recruits will complete a record intake of short-service officers for any year in the history of the R.A.F.—*British Wireless.*

FRANCE'S MAGINOT LINE IN AFRICA

New Cordon of Steel and Concrete Bars Tunisia Invasion

More Troops Sent To Colony

GABE, Tunisia, Jan. 4.

SPECIAL MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE was attached to to-day's events in which M. Daladier participated, as Tunis has considerable strategic importance as a bulwark on the flanks of French North-Africa.

In south Tunis, a possible route for enemy encirclement has now been barred by a Maginot Line.

France's available forces in Tunis have recently been reinforced, and have behind them the entire resources of the other North-African colonies.

Algeria and Tunis have on peace footing, 68 infantry battalions, eight regiments of Spahis, and 20,000 other troops and various arms. Morocco has 29 infantry battalions, four regiments of Spahis, and 7,500 other arms.

In the event of war, the French population would be the framework for the use of many millions of natives of fine fighting qualities.—*Reuter Special.*

MORE TROOPS LEAVING

Marseilles, Jan. 4.
Another battalion of 750 men of the Senegal infantry are leaving on January 7 for French Somaliland.—*Reuter.*

DEMONSTRATION OF TUNIS SOLIDITY

Tunis, Jan. 4.
Twenty-five thousand troops participated in a thrilling march-past at the lonely post of Aintouine this morning.

The scene was the desert plain at the foot of the Matmata Mountains, where the natives live in the caves and hills as in the Stone Age.

Apart from an ancient oasis, the country is entirely barren, and until recently, saw no rain for three years. This morning's review was for strong contrast to the normal, as for one hour colourful native cavalry, camel corps, and Spahis with tanks and armoured cars, swung past Premier Edouard Daladier and his party.—*Reuter Special.*

1. MOUSE RUNS UP BROKER'S LEG

A mouse held up City traffic through Thromorton Street, E.C., for five minutes. It raced out of the Stock Exchange, followed by the Stock Exchange cat.

The mouse ran for safety up the trousers of a stock-broker who was standing outside in the street. A crowd made a ring round the broker while he took his trousers off. He eventually released the mouse—but the cat did not.

When A Husband Is Not Wanted

At the Salvation Army Maternity Home at Clapton husbands are permitted to see their wives.

A Salvation Army official said that there was no question of compulsion, but experience had shown that in many cases wives like to have their husbands with them.

In no circumstances were husbands allowed to be present at the actual birth.

There is no evidence of this practice being followed at other maternity homes for hospitals.

A doctor at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Home said: "We are far too busy to bother with husbands, and we definitely ban the introduction of potentially septic people into theoretically aseptic wards because of the risk of infection."

"My experience is that the husband is the last person a woman wants to see at such times."

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He Had Never Seen: Train, Film, A Radio

ALTHOUGH he is 28 years of age, Stanley Jones is looking at civilisation for the first time in his life—and finding it "like a miracle."

Since babyhood he has seen nothing but the prairie, some 200 miles from Winnipeg, Canada.

Recently he reached Liverpool, with his 70-years-old mother, on board the Duchess of Atholl.

Twenty-six years ago Mrs. Jones emigrated with her husband from Llangwm, Wales. Stanley was then two years old. The only world he ever knew was the farm.

He never saw a railway train until he arrived at Winnipeg on this journey back.

He asked the stewards to tell him where all the food came from.

The radio and the cinema startled him when he first heard and saw them on the ship.

Neither he nor his mother can speak anything but Welsh, but luckily one of their fellow travellers was a Welshman, who acted as interpreter.

2. MOUSE RUNS UP LAWYER'S LEG

Mr. J. V. Roseman, a lawyer, is suing a cinema at Cleveland, Ohio, for £50 damages because, he says, a mouse ran up his trouser-leg while he was watching a picture.

He declared he was scratched and bitten, was unable to sleep that night.

Jamaica Unrest

Kingsdon, Jamaica, Jan. 4.
A regiment of soldiers and 300 special constables have been called in consequence of renewed strike troubles.

Other ports are following Kingston in stopping work on the waterfront. Resistance on both sides in the present labour dispute is hardening.—*Reuter.*

California Bananas Grown

Tulare, Cal.
Possibilities of a new California fruit growing industry is that of bananas. John Rose has successfully experimented here with a tree that was 14 inches tall when he planted it 18 months ago, and is now 18 feet high, with a diameter of 10 inches and has already borne two ripened bunches of bananas.



THESE KIDDIES don't know whether to be frightened or friendly with their visitor. A scene in Australia's outbacks.

T. Paul Gregory's Series on Old Hongkong

THE MAN WHO INTRODUCED PRISON REFORM TO THE COLONY

A likeable personality who served this Colony in an official capacity during the early days was Mr. Andrew Lysaught Inglis, Harbour Master and Marine Magistrate, but better known in old Hongkong as the "Governor of Victoria Gaol."

Mr. Inglis was a man of the loftiest humanitarian sentiments, and, on this account, could be remembered by residents of the present day; for it was entirely due to his efforts that the prison system of the Colony was remodelled so that prisoners were provided with suitable employment and that banishment—was abolished.

Mr. Andrew Lysaught Inglis was born in England about the year 1820. As there is practically no biographical matter available concerning his early life or family the exact date is not known. It is known, however, that he was one of the first European residents of the Colony as he arrived here in June 1843.

His first position in Hongkong was that of Clerk in the Marine Magistrate's office, but so efficiently did he perform his task, that he was looked upon as a most likely young man for future advancement. In fact, his rise in office was, to say the least, almost meteoric; his first appointment was announced on July 16, 1845 as successor to Mr. Samuel Fearon, the Registrar General, who had resigned his position in order to accept the Chair of Professor of Chinese Language and Literature in King's College, London.

THIS was followed on December 10th of the same year with the additional appointment of Assistant Police Magistrate, and it is probable that the experience gained on the Magistracy Bench was of the greatest assistance to him in later years when he successfully carried out his plan of reforming the Hongkong penal system in its entirety.

In the meantime, he was devoting a great deal of his leisure to the mastery of the Cantonese colloquial, and while he never became a fluent speaker of this interesting tongue, he yet obtained an insight into Chinese psychology and mode of thought, which rendered him invaluable to the Government in an age

when the majority of Europeans scorned such an accomplishment as beneath their dignity.

HE, however, retained his post of Registrar-General for only four years, when he tendered his resignation. No reason for this unexpected course is given in the official records, but from Mr. Inglis' own remarks it appears that his act was entirely voluntary, and due solely to his desire to proceed to California in order to join the gold rush; which had now developed into a veritable stampede, luring thousands of every race and condition.

Mr. Inglis left the Colony sometime in June 1849, in company with some twenty or thirty other Hongkong residents, largely discontented adventurers from Sydney, as well as a number of erstwhile sailors before the mast, who had thrown up their berths in order to answer the magic call of California. Whatever may have been Mr. Inglis' hopes in the new land, he was evidently doomed to disappointment; for after staying in America for a year or so, we find him back in Hongkong. Apparently, too, he had no difficulty in again securing a position with the local administration; for his knowledge of the vernacular tongue alone, was in that day of ignorance of everything Chinese, and general apathy towards its study sufficient to insure an immediate appointment in an official capacity for the fortunate possessor.

THE most important of Mr. Inglis' series of appointments, and incidentally the one through which he rendered the greatest service to the Colony, was that of May 12, 1857 by which he was designated "Governor of the Victoria Gaol." His nomination to this post was indeed timely; for conditions in this time-honoured penal establishment were then, to put it mildly—chaotic.

There was apparently nothing much known of discipline save the frequent administration of the "cat." Prisoners were crowded into their cells with a singular disregard to the finer instincts of humanity. The juvenile was as likely as not thrust into the company of the most hardened recidivist. Under such a regime it is not to be wondered at that the Gaol instead of being an institution for the reform of the criminal

classes, had become a school of crime.

MR. Inglis determined to remedy all this, and at once instituted sweeping changes in the mediaeval order of the famous prison. Workshops were installed and the prisoners were taught the elements of some useful trade. Those who were already the masters of some craft were organised into groups, and given work to do. Thus there were blacksmiths, farriers, carpenters and the like. Under this new system, idleness was abolished, and the prisoners, for the first time since the institution of the Gaol, by Major Caine in 1843, were aided in their efforts to rehabilitate themselves and achieve genuine reform.

The task of expediting the necessary reforms was swiftly performed, and Mr. Inglis received the thanks of a grateful Colony. Perhaps in recognition of this work, the Executive Council in its meeting of August 25, 1857 decided to nominate him as Harbour Master and Marine Magistrate.

TO these posts was later added another, that of Emigration Officer, but his sojourn in the Colony was to be cut short owing to ill health. Bright's disease—that malady of the middle-aged man—attacked him, and rendered it imperative that he should take a respite from his official duties. Accordingly, on March 1, 1861, he left for England. A grateful community, however, did not allow his departure to pass unnoticed, and a committee of local residents presented him with a handsome gratuity of \$3,040 raised by public subscription as a token of recognition of his many services to the Colony. Eventually, the Hongkong Government decided to reciprocate the sentiments of the populace, and at a meeting of the Legislative Council voted to award him an annual pension of £163. 6s. 8d.

Mr. Inglis, however, did not long survive to enjoy the emoluments which his term of service in Hongkong had earned for him; for he died in the latter part of the 'sixties. Thus passed the man who made his office of "Governor of Victoria Gaol" a symbol of reform and progress in penal administration.

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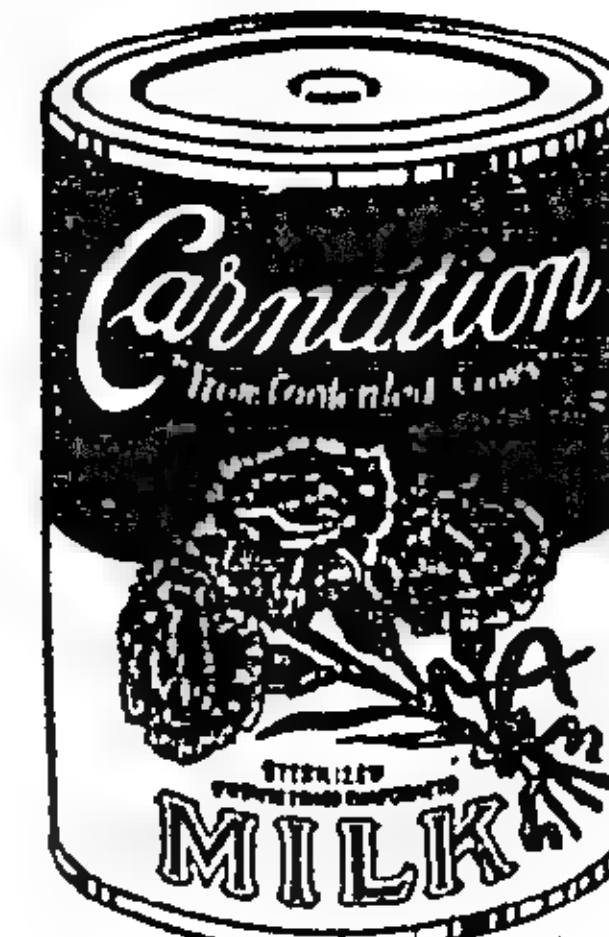
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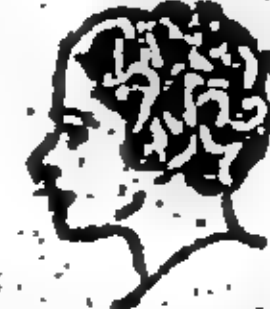
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AL. CAPONE TO LEAVE ALCATRAZ

America's Number One Gangster To Gain Temporary Freedom



SAILORS FROM H.M.S. KENT marching through the streets yesterday to take part in the March Past at Happy Valley. The Commander-in-Chief, Sir Percy Noble, took the salute.—Kain Photo.

5 Years On U.S. 'Devil's Island'

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. SCARFACE AL CAPONE, America's No. 1 gangster, is to be freed on January 19 after nearly five years in Alcatraz, America's 'Devil's Island.'

For a few hours he will see a nation changed since he left Chicago City, which he ruled with a gun, a nation that has given up the bootlegging that made him a fortune and has hunted down gangsters of which he was the pattern.

Then he will go back to prison again in the suburbs of Chicago for one more year.

Because he has behaved himself in prison, Capone's original eleven-year sentence in 1931 for income tax evasion has been cut, but he must serve another year in a Chicago jail for another offence.

When Capone is finally released—and he may never be because of his mental condition—he will be wealthier than he was when arrested.

The syndicate which has been running his enterprises—all legal, except gambling—have made tremendous profits for their absent managing director.

Breweries, night-clubs, mineral water factories, macaroni factories, and even cleaning firms, have brought Capone's banking account into seven figures.

The way for Capone's release has been cleared by the payment of over \$37,000 towards the \$50,000 fine and court costs outstanding against the former gang chieftain.

His advocate, who made the payment to the district court, did not indicate when the remaining sum would be paid.—Reuter.

Premier Cuts His Vacation

Unexpected Action Linked With Spain Situation?

LONDON, Jan. 4. Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax unexpectedly decided this morning to return to London.

Originally the return of the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister was scheduled for the week-end.

Official quarters are anxious to emphasise that the return of the two Ministers from the country is due to a worsening of weather conditions.

The Prime Minister's office denied rumours of a Cabinet meeting this week, or of a meeting of the inner Cabinet.

Despite the official reason given for the return of the Ministers, and despite an authoritative statement that no Cabinet meeting is contemplated, political observers are attaching major importance to the unexpected return of Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax.

Since the Prime Minister a few days ago stated that he would have ample opportunity of meeting the Foreign Secretary before their journey to Rome.

Political circles here, therefore, are inclined to believe that questions concerning the British attitude towards the Spanish and Mediterranean problems, which have assumed a more concrete form within the last few days, has induced the Ministers to return at an earlier date.

Increasing attention is being paid in London to the Spanish question, since it is believed the military operations have entered a decisive stage. According to all indications, London is revising its Spanish policy.

Various quarters have appealed to Mr. Chamberlain within the last few days to announce at least the subject of the impending Rome conversations, and to reveal the attitude he intends to take towards Mussolini in the question of the Spanish problem.—Trans-Ocean.

Francis Behan, of Curzon-street, Dublin, was sued by Miss Margaret Gallagher of South Circular-road, Dublin. Both are aged 35.

Mr. J. Fitzgerald, for Miss Gallagher, said that the couple began keeping company in 1929. About 120 letters had passed between them.

GUIDE TO MISGUIDED "For some reason," said Mr. Fitzgerald, "Behan started a Lonely People's Club in Dublin and hoped to make money out of it."

"He subsequently ran excursions and organised dances for 'misguided lonely people' in the city."

In February of this year Behan handed Miss Gallagher a letter in which he stated he had met another girl on the previous June and they intended to get married.

Miss Gallagher, in evidence, said that Behan used his home as an office or Lonely People's Club correspondence.

London, Jan. 4. The Prime Minister has received as a tribute to his efforts in the cause of peace, a generous present from the women of Malta consisting of a Maltese lace tablecloth, a silver model of a Maltese boat, and a cheque for £30.

The Prime Minister has gratefully accepted the silver boat and lace tablecloth, and has asked the Governor of Malta, and organisers of the presentation, to devote the cheque to charity in Malta.—British Wireless.

Berlin, Jan. 4. The third execution by beheading this year occurred this morning, when Rudolf Szorles of Leipzig was executed.

He was sentenced to death in September last, the indictment stating that he had fled the country to France, and had joined the secret service to spy on the fortifications on Germany's western frontier.—Reuter Special.

New York, Jan. 4. Mayor La Guardia has induced 11,000 taxi-drivers who went on strike yesterday, to end the strike on Friday on promises of arbitration.—Reuter.

London, Jan. 4. At a meeting yesterday, the advisory board of industrialists, set up to help in the co-ordination of industrial effort in connection with the re-armament programme, elected as its chairman, Lieut.-Colonel J. H. M. Greenly.

The panel has held a number of meetings, starting before Christmas, and a full programme of work has been drawn up for the future.—Reuter.

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BRITAIN TO BUILD NEW NAVY ARMADA

LONDON, Jan. 4.

THE BRITISH NAVY will be increased by 100 vessels of various description in 1939, according to the "Evening News," which adds that the increase will affect all types of ships, including 10,000 ton cruisers.

On the other hand, still larger vessels under construction will not be completed until 1940.

The paper states that the following ships are now being built, apart from the big 35,000 ton battleships:

Five aircraft-carriers, of which two will be ready this year.

22 cruisers, of which three of 10,000 tons each will be placed in service this year.

23 destroyers, of which 20 will be completed during 1939.

15 submarines, of which 13 will shortly be ready.

In addition to the above, three auxiliary ships, four mine-layers, three patrol ships, one submarine depot ship, two river gunboats, and 34 smaller vessels will be put into service in 1939, while independently of the naval programme for 1939-40, seven new cruisers will be ready during the present year.

The paper further states that of the five 35,000 ton battleships now being built, two will be ready in 1940, and the remaining three in 1941. Two other battleships, the construction of which has been approved, but not yet commenced, will, says the paper, have a displacement of 40,000 tons.

The paper estimates that the total number of British warships at present under construction is approximately 150.—Trans-Ocean.

RECORD LAUNCHING IN PEACE-TIME

DURING 1939 Britain will launch 45 new warships, with a total tonnage of 355,705.

Such a figure has never before been approached in time of peace by any country, and is little, if at all, below the aggregate tonnage launched in Britain in any single year of the Great War.

The vessels due to be launched in 1939 are:

Type	Number	Displacement tons
Battleships	5	175,000
Aircraft carriers	5	69,000
Large cruisers	3	40,000
Small cruisers	7	38,150
Destroyers	11	20,000
Submarines	9	8,855
Sloops	5	3,700
	45	355,705

All the above are combatant ships, and the total of launchings in the

coming year does not include a considerable number of auxiliary craft, such as boom defence vessels, motor torpedo-boats, depot ships and tugs.

FIFTY IN GUNS

The first important vessels to go afloat will be the battleship King George V., which the King is to launch on Tyneside on Feb. 21. A sister ship, Prince of Wales, will take the water at Birkenhead in March, and during the summer and autumn three more vessels of the same class—Anson, Jelliffe and Beatty—will be launched at Clydebank, Wallsend-on-Tyne and Govan respectively.

These five units, the largest and most strongly armoured battleships ever built in Britain, will reinforce the gun-power of the Fleet by 50 14in guns of a new and most powerful type. With a designed speed of 30 knots, they will be among the world's fastest battleships.

The three aircraft carriers to be launched are the Illustrious, Victorious, and Formidable, each of 23,000 tons. They are the largest carriers so far built for the Royal Navy.

The first is building at Barrow-in-Furness, the second on the Tyne, and the third at Belfast.

NEW TYPE CRUISERS

The five large cruisers to be put afloat are the Fiji, Kenya, Mauritius, Nigeria, and Trinidad, representing a new type of 8,000 tons and 33 knots speed, armed with 12 6in. guns.

The seven smaller cruisers in the 1939 programme are Dido, Euryalus, Naiad, Phoebe, Sirius, Bonaventure and Hermione. They, too, form an entirely new class, 5,450 tons, with a speed of 33 knots. The armament is unique, consisting as it does of 10 5.2in guns, a new model credited with a rate of fire of 14 rounds a minute.

Of the 11 destroyers eight are of the Laffey class, understood to be of a very large and powerful type. All the new submarines are big ocean-going craft, and most of the sloops are escort vessels heavily armed with anti-aircraft guns.

Even when the 45 ships enumerated are in the water, many others will remain on the stocks. These will include two 40,000-ton battleships, four heavy and three light cruisers, and numerous smaller craft, without counting the battleships, cruisers, destroyers and submarines to be provided for in the 1939 Navy Estimates.

Big Decline Recorded In China's Customs Revenue

SHANGHAI, Jan. 5.

THE TOTAL CUSTOMS revenue in China during 1938 amounted to \$254,570,000 as compared with \$342,900,000 for the preceding year.

It shows a decrease of \$88,330,000 from the previous year.

The proceeds include \$160,000 import duties, \$16,530,000 export duties, \$55,840,000 inter-port duties, \$2,920,000 tonnage dues, \$9,180,000 railway surtaxes, and \$9,170,000 revenue surtaxes.

Earnings at different customs stations were as follows:

Chinwangtao	\$4,540,000
Tientsin	\$56,440,000
Chefoo	\$4,020,000
Xingtiao	\$8,870,000
Hankow	\$8,210,000
Shanghai	\$84,910,000
Foochow	\$5,410,000
Amoy	\$2,080,000
Swatow	\$9,630,000
Canton	\$19,550,000
Kowloon	\$13,840,000
Wuchow	\$4,410,000
and Mengtze	\$4,420,000
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"Pull Up Your Socks For The King!"

Renfrew (Ontario).

Said Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, to a group of children at Renfrew:—

"Children, I have a word for you. The King is coming, so I hope you will all brush your hair and pull up your socks, for the King is especially interested in children."

The King and Queen are to visit Canada and the United States next May.

Helping Britain's Re-armament

London, Jan. 4.

At a meeting yesterday, the advisory board of industrialists, set up to help in the co-ordination of industrial effort in connection with the re-armament programme, elected as its chairman, Lieut.-Colonel J. H. M. Greenly.

The panel has held a number of meetings, starting before Christmas, and a full programme of work has been drawn up for the future.—Reuter.

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Tokyo, Jan. 5.
General Kaku Machida, retired, died at 10:30 a.m. last night at the age of 74.—Domei.

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FOR SALE.

TIN CAN MAIL COVERS. Letter enclosed in a watertight tin can put into the sea. For sale at 10, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks, \$	1,495	n.
H.K. Banks, Lon. £	80	n.
Chartered, £	274	n.
Mercantile, £	274	n.
Mercantile, C. £	13	n.
East Asia, \$	68	n.

INSURANCES

Canton, \$	210	b.
Union, \$	478	b.
China Underwriters, £	70	s.
H.K. Fire, \$	178	b.

SHIPPING

Douglas, \$	63½	b.
Steamboats, \$	55	n.
Indo-China, P. \$	55	n.
Indo-China, D. \$	55	n.
Shell, \$	54¼	n.
Waterboats, \$	10	n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves, \$	117½	n.
Docks (old), \$	19	n.
Docks (new), \$	17½	n.
Providents (old), \$	635	n.
Providents (new), \$	635	n.
New Eng. Sh. \$	500	n.
Sh. Docks, \$	100	n.

MINING

Kallian, \$	17½	n.
Hauho, \$	935	n.
Venz, Goldfield, \$	53	n.
Hongkong Mines, \$	7½	n.
Antamoks, \$	52	n.
Atoka, \$	28½	n.
Bangulo Gold, \$	24	n.
Benguet Cons., \$	1420	n.
Coco Grove, \$	50	n.
Con. Mines, \$	303	n.
Demonstrations, \$	28	n.
I.X.L. \$	54	n.
Gumma, \$	182	n.
San Mauricio, \$	182	n.
Suyoc Consol, \$	20	n.
Paracels, \$	68	n.

LANDS

Hotels, \$	7	n.
Lands, \$	37	n.
Lands 4% deb., \$	107½	n.
Shal Lands, \$	0.70	n.
Humphreys, \$	0	n.
H.K. Realties, \$	600	n.
Chinese Estates, \$	90	n.

UTILITIES

Tram, \$	174	n.
Peak Trams (old), \$	7½	n.
Peak Trams (new), \$	3½	n.
Star Ferries, \$	72	n.
Y. Ferries (old), \$	22½	n.
Y. Ferries (new), \$	22	n.
China Light (cum. rts.), \$	0.70	n.
China Light (Rights), \$	3.60	n.
H.K. Electric, \$	58½	n.
Macao Electric, \$	17	n.
Sandakan Lights, \$	10	b.
Telephone (old), \$	23½	n.
Telephone (new), \$	8.00	n.
Traction, \$	21½	n.
Singapore Pref., \$	25	n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macg. (ord.), \$	14	n.
Cald: Macg. (Pre.), \$	13	n.
Canton Ice, \$	170	n.
Cements, \$	16.00	n.
Ropes, \$	3.85	b.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms, \$	24.20	n.
Watsons, \$	8.05	n.
Lane Crawford, \$	8.10	n.
Sinceres, \$	2	n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$	30	n.
Powell, \$	90	n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Cotton (c. cts.), \$	10.15	n.
Shal Cotton, \$	103	n.
Zoong Sings, \$	24	n.
Wing On Textiles, \$	40	n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments, \$	74	n.
Constructions, \$	134	n.
Vibro Piling, \$	0.60	b.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925		
G.S. Bonds		
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	76½	n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan	76	n.
H.K. Govt. 3% Loan	75	n.
Marsmans (Lon.), \$	10.6	n.
Marsmans (H.K.), \$	3	n.

MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th. day of January, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at San Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorized officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island	as per plan	About 16,150	\$165	\$3,000

NOTICE

R.A.O.B. (G.I.E.) Club, Queen's Building, Ice House Street, near Star Ferry, will hold a whist drive and tombola every Thursday, commencing Thursday, 5th January at 8.30 p.m. sharp. All are welcomed.

NOTICE.

S. E. LEVY & CO.

Investment Bankers and Brokers.
Mr. L. Dunbar retires from partnership in the above firm as of December 31st, 1938, and his interest and responsibility cease from that date.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 1.00 p.m. yesterday, says:
A moderate turnover was put through during the morning, with buyers displaying an inclination to increase their bids.

BUYERS
Canton Insurance \$220
Union Insurance \$170
Douglas \$170
H.K. Electric \$170
H.K. Docks (Old) \$104
H.K. Docks (New) \$104
H.K. Lands \$104
H.K. Tramways \$104
Peak Trams (New) \$104
Star Ferries \$104
China Light (cum. rts.) \$9.40
China Light (Rights) \$3.60
H.K. Electric \$170
Macao Electric \$170
Sandakan Lights \$10
Cementa \$10.40
H.K. Ropes \$170
Dairy Farms \$170
Entertainments \$170
Vibro Piling \$170
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SELLERS
T.T. London 1s. 2½
Demand 1s. 2½
T.T. Shanghai 172 Nom.
T.T. Singapore 100½
T.T. Japan 100½
T.T. India 83
T.T. U.S.A. 28½
T.T. Manila 57½
T.T. Batavia 52½
T.T. Bangkok 1409
T.T. Saigon 10.00
T.T. France 71½
T.T. Switzerland 127
T.T. Australia 1/0½

BUYING
4 m/s L/c London 1/3¼
4 m/s D/p "do" 1/35/32
4 m/s L/c U.S.A. 29½
4 m/s France 84½
30 d/s India 84½
U.S. Cross rate in Lon. 4.64

SALES
Hongkong Bank \$1,475/00
H.K. & S. Wharves \$110
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The "Immortal Memory" will be proposed by the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith.
A suitable musical programme is being arranged.

ROOSEVELT'S WARNING

"We Propose to Do Our Share for Hemisphere"

(Continued from Page 1.)

gallery, while other interested spectators were the French and Spanish Ambassadors, and the Portuguese Minister.
Mrs. Roosevelt and the President's mother were among the crowded audience.

Loud and prolonged cheering greeted the President when he said: "Dictatorship involves cost, which the American people will never pay—the cost of our spiritual value, and the blessed right of being able to say what we please, the cost of freedom, the cost of our capital being confiscated, the cost of being sent into concentration camps, and of being afraid to walk down the street with the wrong neighbour, the cost of having our children brought up, not as free human beings, but moulded by machines."

"If the avoidance of these costs mean taxes on my income, or duties on my estate, I would bear those taxes willingly as the price for my breathing, and my children breathing, the free air in a free country, in a living, not a dead world."
Senator Key Pittman, commenting on President Roosevelt's speech, said that he believes the Government will conclude it is necessary to apply moral, financial, and commercial sanctions against treaty violators.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Jan. 4.

	Opening	Closing
Jan. (1939)	8.42/42	8.47/47
Mar. (1939)	8.46/46	8.47/47
May (1939)	8.24/24	8.25/25
July (1939)	7.99/99	8.03/03
Oct. (1939)	7.61/61	7.63/63
Dec. (1939)	7.04/04	7.09/09
Spot		8.92N

New York Rubber
Mar. (1939) 16.33/33 16.35/37n
May 16.20/30a 16.30/30
September 16.30/35a
October 16.33/34
December 16.33/34
Sales for the day: 1,150 tons.

Chicago Wheat
May 70½/70½ 70½/70½
July 70½/70½ 70½/70½
September 71½/71½ 71½/71½
Tuesday's Sales: 20,016,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn
May 53½/53½ 53½/53½
July 54½/54½ 54½/54½
September 55½/55½ 55½/55½

Winnipeg Wheat
May 63½/64 63½/63½
July 64½/64½ 64½/64½
October 64½/64½ 64½/64½

TRADE IN CHINA

Growing Anxiety Felt In Britain

London, Jan. 4.

Further evidence of the growing anxiety of British business men at the Japanese encroachment on foreign trade rights in China is given prominence in *The Times* and *Daily Telegraph*.

Mr. Lennox B. Lee, who is Chairman of the Calico Printers' Association and a member of the Advisory Council to the Board of Trade, in a letter to *The Times* strongly supports Mr. J. W. Nicholson's letter of December 21 and condemns the Government's long-suffering policy in China.

"It is indeed astounding that this country permits one of its largest and potential markets to be made an exclusive Japanese trading preserve by steady elimination of British and other foreign interests," he writes. "If the Government's long-suffering policy is not soon stiffened by something more than diplomatic protests which only earn Japanese contempt and continental derision, the British trader might as well be told of the extinction of all he can look for since our prestige is to be allowed to decline."

Mr. Lee emphasises that British investments in China amount to £200,000,000 and contrasts the decline of British and American exports to China and increase of Japanese exports in 1938. He points out that what happened in Formosa, Korea and Manchukuo, where British trade is only one per cent, since they were annexed by Japan, will happen also in China unless Japanese aggression is checked.

"We can only pay the colossal bill of rearmament, social services and interest on loans if we increase, let alone maintain, our export trade and surely China with her magnificent possibilities, natural genius for trade and desire for peace deserves far more support than we have so far given," he declared.

In the *Daily Telegraph* Mr. B. S. Keeling minutely analyses the resources of the economic bloc of China, Japan and Manchukuo and warns against facile assumptions of the collapse of Japanese finance and economy. He emphasises that more British money is invested in China than in any country except Argentina. If therefore Japan can surmount the present financial difficulties and establish a Far Eastern bloc it will be first and foremost at this country's expense.—*Reuter*.

MARKET REPORT

SWAN, CULBERTSON AND FRITZ'S DOW JONES SUMMARY

The market advanced as a result of the President's message. Armaments were strong anticipating the President's advocating a gigantic rearmament programme sometime next week.

Regarding the President's message, the tone was considered favourable, especially as it contained a plea for cooperation between business and labour.

The Iron Age magazine found striking gains in steel operations in the principal steel centres.

The December building awards were the highest since 1927.

Policemen To Be Linguists

Policemen stationed at traffic centres here will be required to speak several foreign languages with fluency. The new regulation is intended to make visitors feel at home and facilitate in general.

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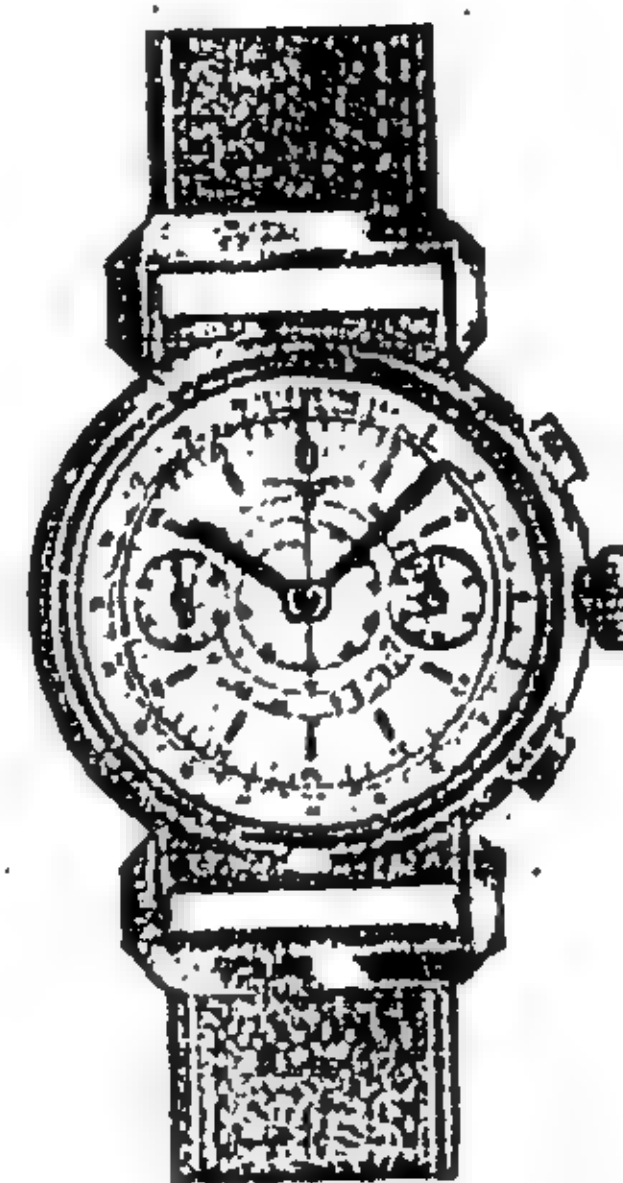
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Paddar Street

STOP WATCHES

FOR ALL SPORTS

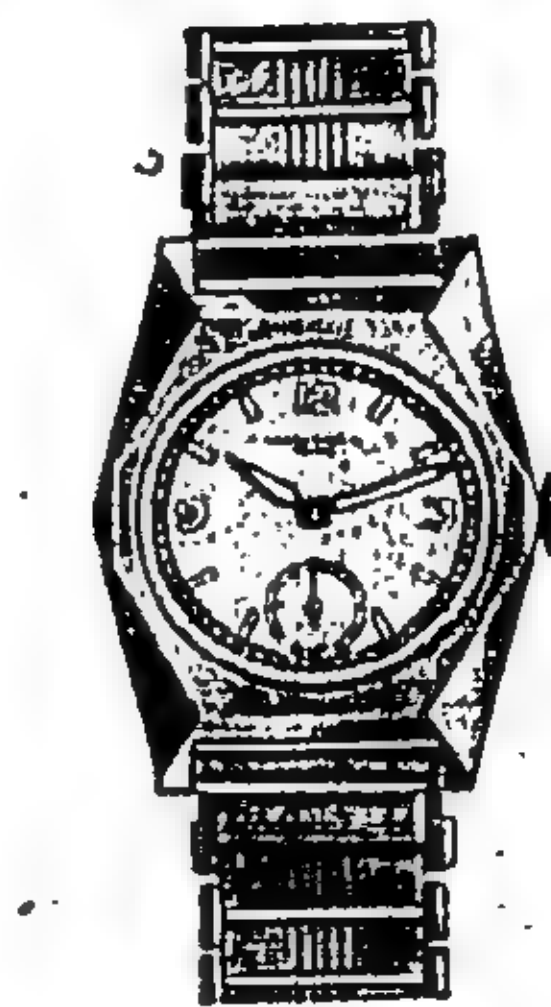


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BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that if it is desired to continue to use the date of expiration of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.

New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office, G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12.00, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. except on Saturdays when licences will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Applications may be made:—

- (a) personally,
- (b) by messenger,
- (c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed Cheque payable to the Hongkong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

MAIL FOR CANTON
Registered and ordinary mails (not insured or parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE
Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Ireland) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

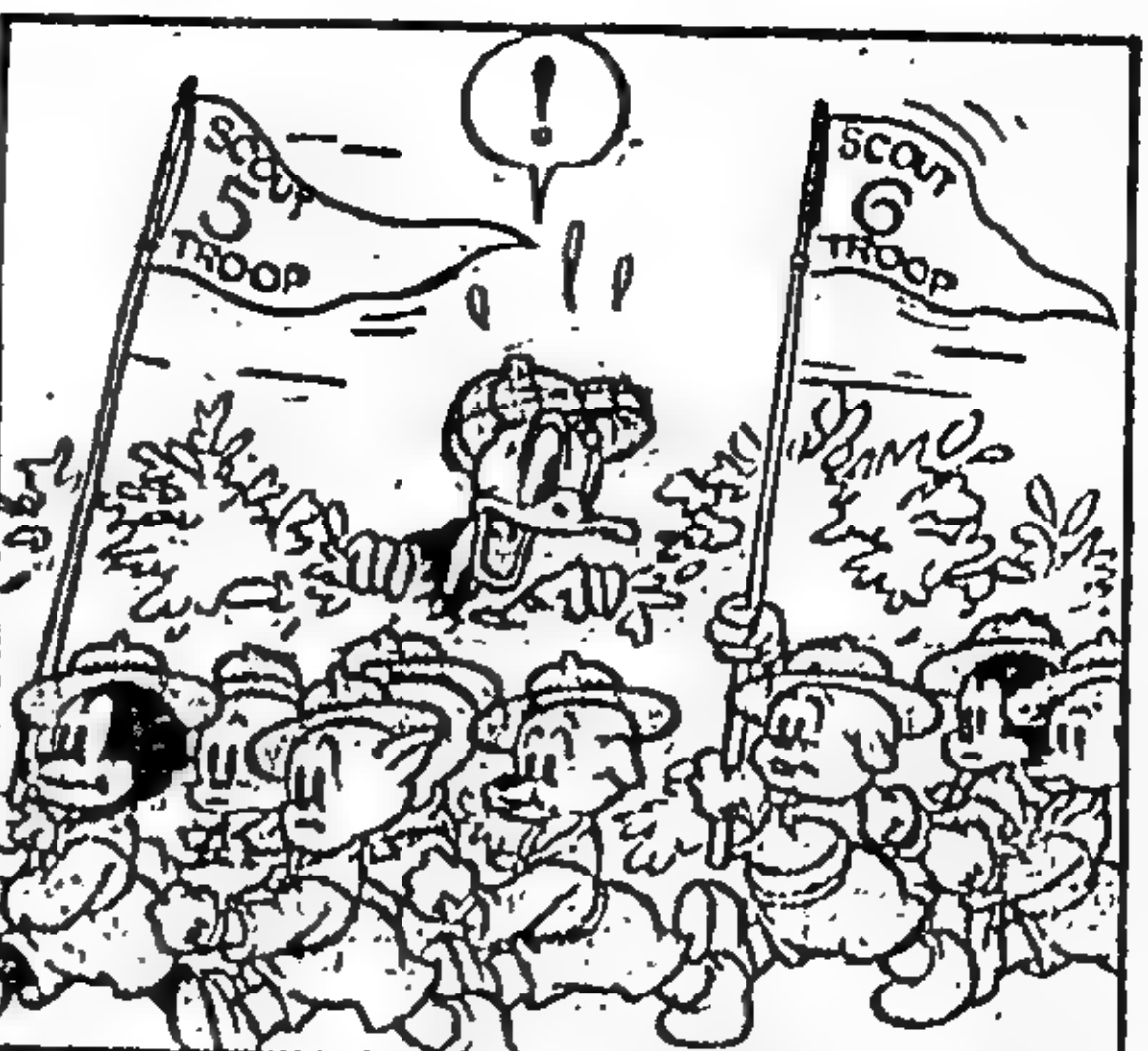
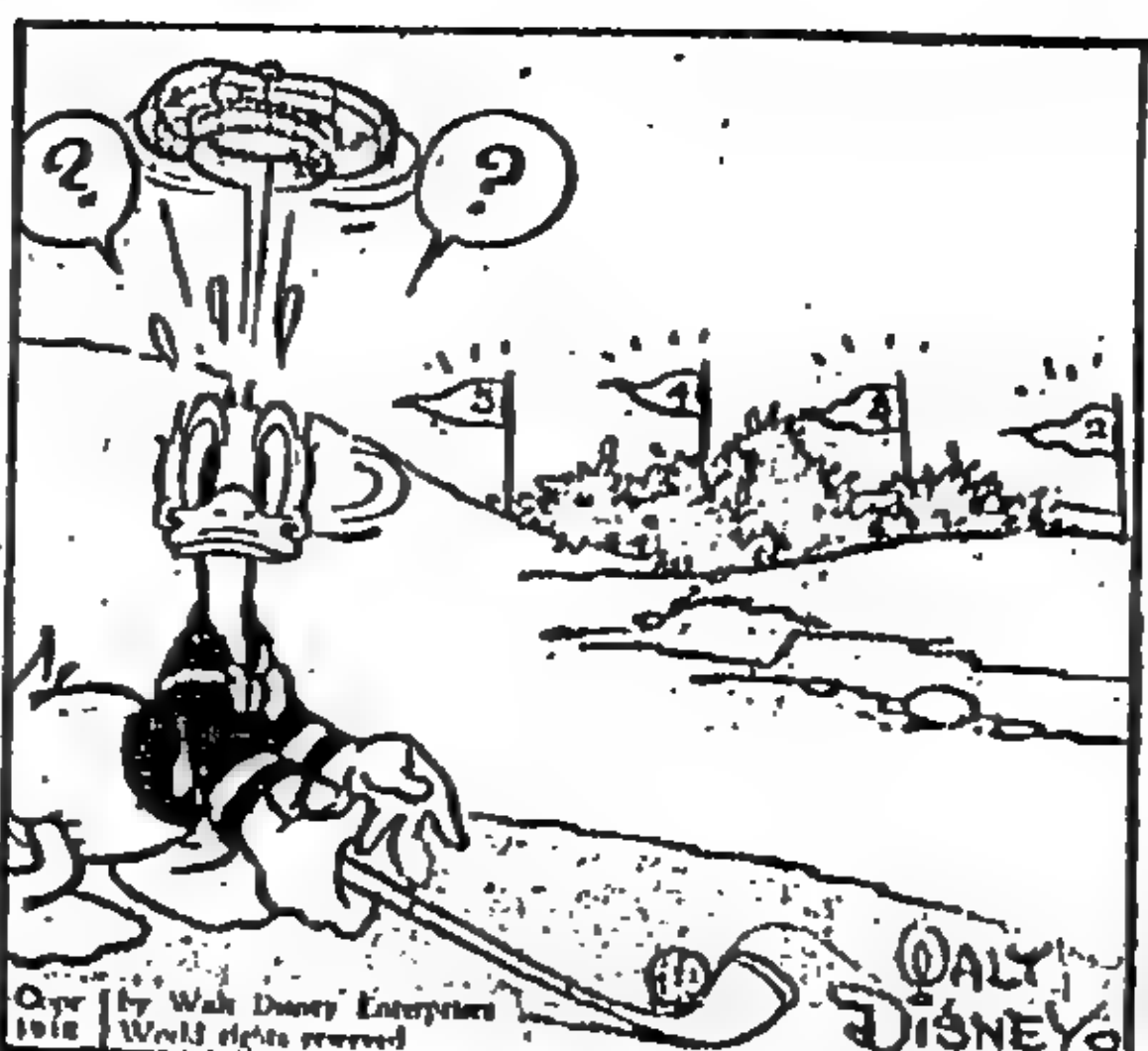
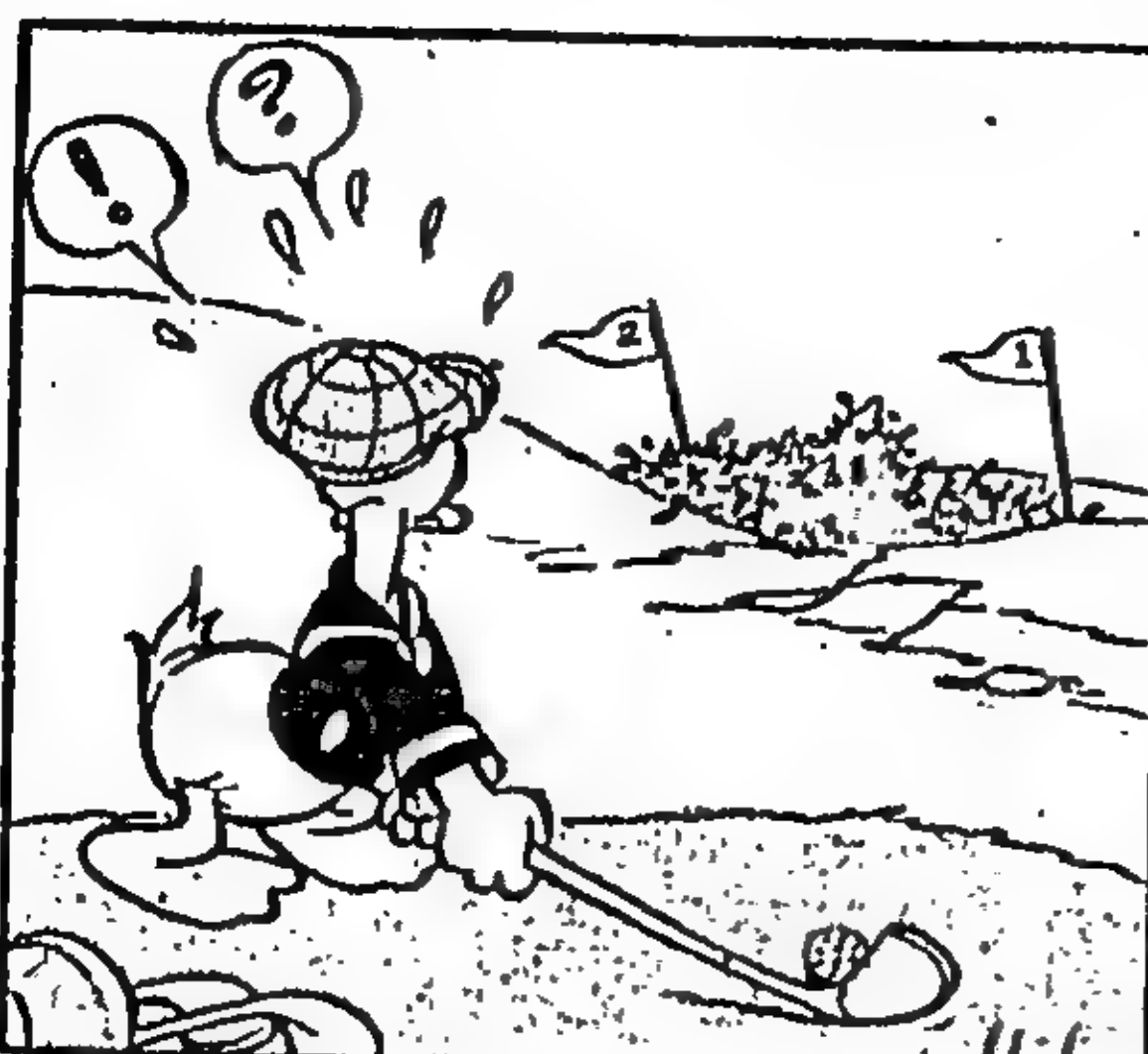
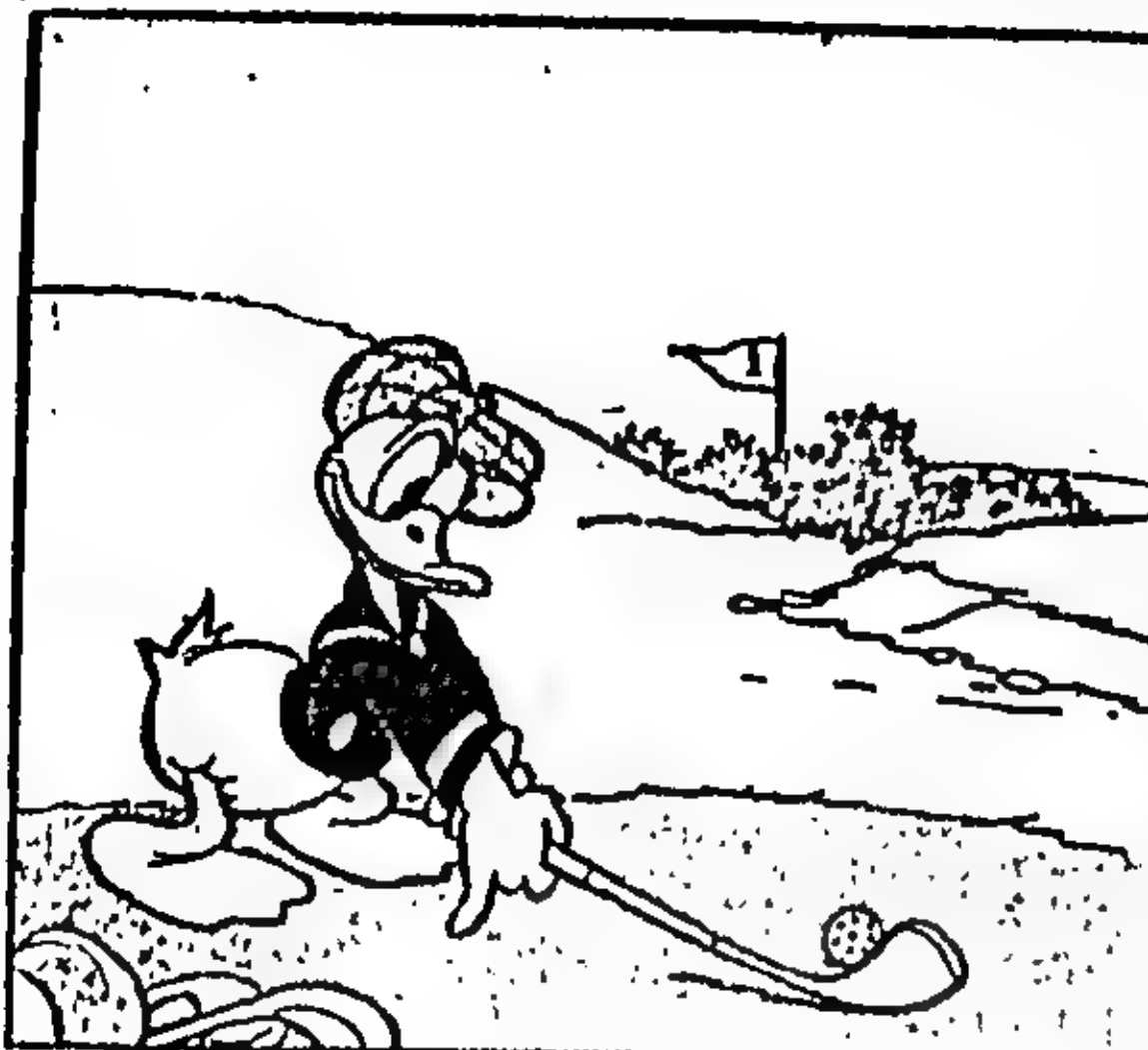
MAIL LETTERS
Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Des.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 10th December).	Pres. Van Duren	January 5.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinkiang	January 5.
Strails	Titan	January 6.
Strails	Behar	January 6.
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	January 6.
Hongkong	Lippe	January 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—San Francisco date 10th December	President Cleveland	January 6.
Australia and Manila	Taipei	January 6.
Japan	Takima Maru	January

DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney

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JAPANESE HARASSED

SHANGHAI, Jan. 4.
AGAIN TESTIFYING to the fact that a large number of Chinese troops are still behind the Japanese lines, Japanese reports state that large numbers of Chinese troops have surrendered in the region of the Taipeh Mountain, north and north-east of Hankow.

According to aerial observation, further large numbers of Chinese regular troops are still distributed among various villages in this area. It is expected that considerable fighting will take place before this region is cleared up, even if this is at all possible in the north of Hankow is not continuous enough to prevent the infiltration of Chinese forces.—Trans-Ocean.

FIGHT TO END

London, Jan. 4.
The Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, speaking at the National Trade Union Club in London to-day, said that the determination of the Chinese people to fight to the bitter end, until an equitable and lasting peace could be obtained, had been strengthened.

The whole country was behind the leadership of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. The Japanese peace terms were a fraudulent attempt to make China a vassal State. Until Japan changed her terms of policy towards China, there could be no alternative but to continue resistance.

While Japan was showing signs of internal disturbance, China had shown none of weakening, and there was no possibility of surrender.—Reuter.

Grim Street Battle In Tsengshing

Yungyun, Jan. 5.
Grim street fighting raged in Tsengshing, 35 miles north-east of Canton, on Monday morning, when Chinese troops blasted their way into the war-torn city through the north gate, according to military reports. The Japanese suffered many casualties in the face of the fierce Chinese onslaught and were thrown into a precarious position. However, the timely arrival of heavy Japanese reinforcements from Canton and Shekian, saved the situation. Under the terrific bombardment of the Japanese the Chinese later withdrew from the city. They wrecked all bridges and heavily damaged the highways in the outskirts of Tsengshing.

While the attack on Tsengshing was going on, another Chinese unit surrounded 200 Japanese at Shetaling, a hill in the neighbourhood of the city. Over 80 casualties were inflicted on the Japanese there.—Central News.

JAPANESE CLAIM CHINESE DESIRE TO MAKE PEACE

Pamphlets Showered On S'hai

Diplomats' Alleged Telegram To Chiang

SHANGHAI, Jan. 5.
JAPANESE planes, flying over French Concession and the International Settlement this morning, dropped thousands of pamphlets written in Chinese, alleging that various Chinese leaders wanted peace on the basis of Wang Ching-wei's proposals, and that it is only Chiang Kai-shek's obstinacy which has prevented this.

One pamphlet declared that Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Ambassador to Paris, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Ambassador to London, and Mr. Hu Shih, Ambassador to Washington, had sent a telegram to Chiang Kai-shek urging acceptance of Wang's proposals, while another pamphlet is a verbatim translation of a "Reuter" story from Hongkong, sent on December 31, outlining Mr. Wang's proposals.—Reuter.

CZECH MASS EVICTION OF JEWS

Prague, Jan. 4.
A mass expulsion of emigrants from Czechoslovakia will begin in the near future with the eviction of 10,000 Jews and Aryans. It was announced here to-day.

According to one newspaper, the Prague Government has already taken a decision of this nature, and further measures for solving the Jewish problem will be announced soon.

The paper says that the national character of the Czechoslovak State, as well as economic necessity, makes it essential to eliminate the Jews from the State, adding that all international emigrants must eventually leave Czechoslovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

London, Jan. 4.
Lord Baldwin's refugee fund has now reached a total of £305,000.—Reuter.

Ten Suspected Bandits Held In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Jan. 5.
TEN arrests, including three women, were made by the Shanghai municipal police yesterday evening in connection with the hold-up of a party of Americans and Britons on December 28, when bandits stopped the party which occupied six cars, and robbed them of money, jewelry, and valuables.—Reuter.

REPLY TO POLISH NOTE

Czecho-Slovakia's Assurances

PRAGUE, Jan. 4.
THE Czecho-Slovak note was handed to the Polish Minister to-day in reply to the various Polish protests.

The note points out that the Czecho-Slovak Government is ready to examine the Polish complaints of frontier violations, and is anxious to do everything in order to facilitate positive and quiet relations between Czechoslovakia and Poland.

But the note underlines the necessity of the Polish Government helping in these endeavours by just and decent treatment of Czechoslovak nationals residing in the Olsan district, which was ceded to Poland.

The Czecho-Slovak Government has simultaneously instructed its Minister to Warsaw to protest at the number of incidents in the same district.—Trans-Ocean.

King Saud's Protest To Roosevelt

Cairo, Jan. 4.
King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia, has sent a protest to President Roosevelt in which he denounces the anti-Arab attitude of the United States with regard to the Palestine problem.

It is stated that King Saud demanded that if America finds it necessary to interest herself at all in the Palestine problem, she should adopt a just attitude, and not let her outlook be dictated by "one-sided Jewish ideas."—Trans-Ocean.

ARAB LEADERS TO CONFER
It is understood that Britain and France have agreed that the Arab leaders at present in Cairo may visit Lebanon in order to confer with the Grand Mufti.

It is also understood that the first meeting of the Palestine conference will take place on January 18, and that Mr. Neville Chamberlain will be present.—Reuter.

Premier's Suite For Rome Visit

London, Jan. 4.
The Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary will be accompanied to Rome by Mr. Chamberlain's private secretary, Mr. O. Cleverly, the Parliamentary private secretary to the Premier, Lord Dunglass, the Under-Secretary in the Foreign Office, Sir Alexander Cadogan, the head of the South European Department of the Foreign Office, Mr. Maurice Ingram, a member of the press department of the Foreign Office, Mr. Charles Peake, and the private secretary to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Oliver Harvey.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINESE EXPERTS DISAGREE

Rev. Wells' Court Evidence On Translation

Experts on the Chinese language were called as witnesses before Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning, when a claim was brought by Lee Pal-yin against Yau Tih-shing and Tang Shu-shu for the return of \$2,304 guaranteed by Tang on a borrowing note.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. D'Almada Remedios, appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. G. She, instructed by Mr. F. G. Nigel, appeared for second defendant, against whom the claim was made.

Mr. D'Almada said that security for the loan had been put up by the borrower by way of shares in a certain Shanghai company, and guaranteed by second defendant. The only meaning that could be attributed to the document, said counsel, was that it was a guarantee by Tang of the loan, and the sole issue at point was for counsel to prove that guarantee.

Luk Hok-king, court translator at the Supreme Court, said that a translation of the document as made by Mr. Chan Kwok-yun, a former court translator, was a correct one and he agreed with it. Witness said that the document was a guarantee by Tang of repayment of the loan.

DISAGREED WITH TRANSLATION

Called by the defence, the Rev. H. R. Wells, the well-known author of Chinese books, and a teacher of Chinese for the past 27 years, said that he disagreed with the translation made by the former court translator, and detailed the words, phrases and punctuation of the document with which he was in conflict. Witness was of the opinion that the document was not for repayment of the loan, but was to take the shares, phrases and the handing over of the proceeds to the plaintiff as repayment of the principal and interest on the loan. Tang was not responsible for the repayment of the loan.

Professor Hsu Ti-shan, professor of Chinese at the Hongkong University, was also called by the defence. Mr. She: Can this document be translated to mean that if Yau failed to pay, then Tang must pay up?—No.

What are Tang's responsibilities in terms of this document?—Tang will be responsible for the conversion of the value of the shares and handing over the money for them to Lee.

Has he any other duties other than that?—No statement is given in the document.

Asked for a definite answer, Professor Hsu said that he was sure that the document did not require any other duty of Tang than that of conversion of the shares.

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Mr. She: Under that document, if it was intended that Tang should repay the whole loan, ought there to be more words in the document?—Yes, a phrase should be added, thus, "If the shares are unsaleable Tang must be responsible for the repayment of the loan."

Mr. D'Almada submitted that the plaintiff had succeeded in his claim, notwithstanding the evidence given by Rev. Mr. Wells and Prof. Hsu. It was clear, he contended, that the document was entirely unambiguous. Mr. She submitted that the document was both ambiguous and unclear in its meaning. There was no guarantee by the second defendant, but only an undertaking to do certain things.

His Lordship ruled that the document was unambiguous. After short adjournment, on the application of Mr. She counsel for defence asked permission to discontinue with the other defendants, he had prepared. Judgment was accordingly entered against second defendant with costs.

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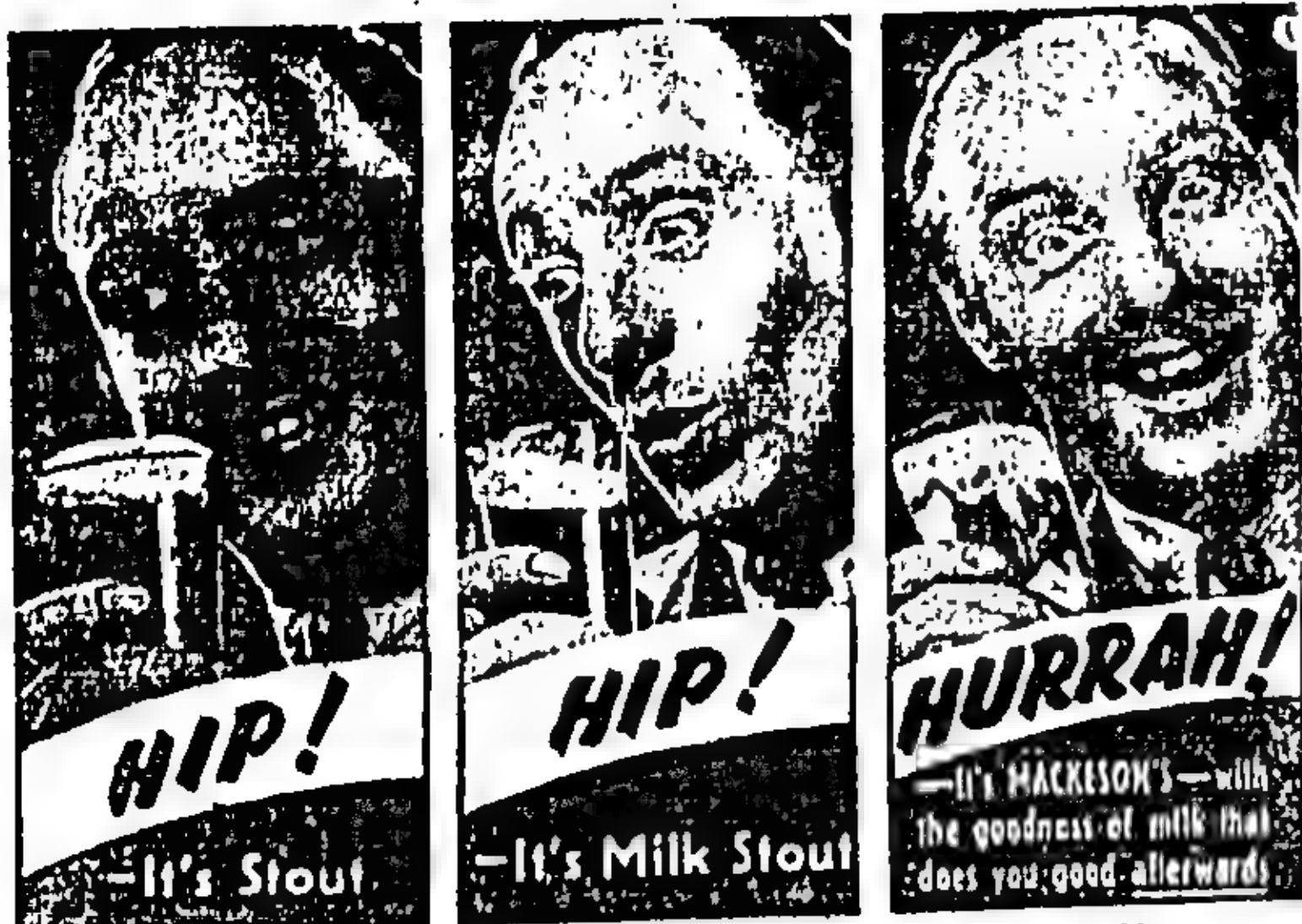
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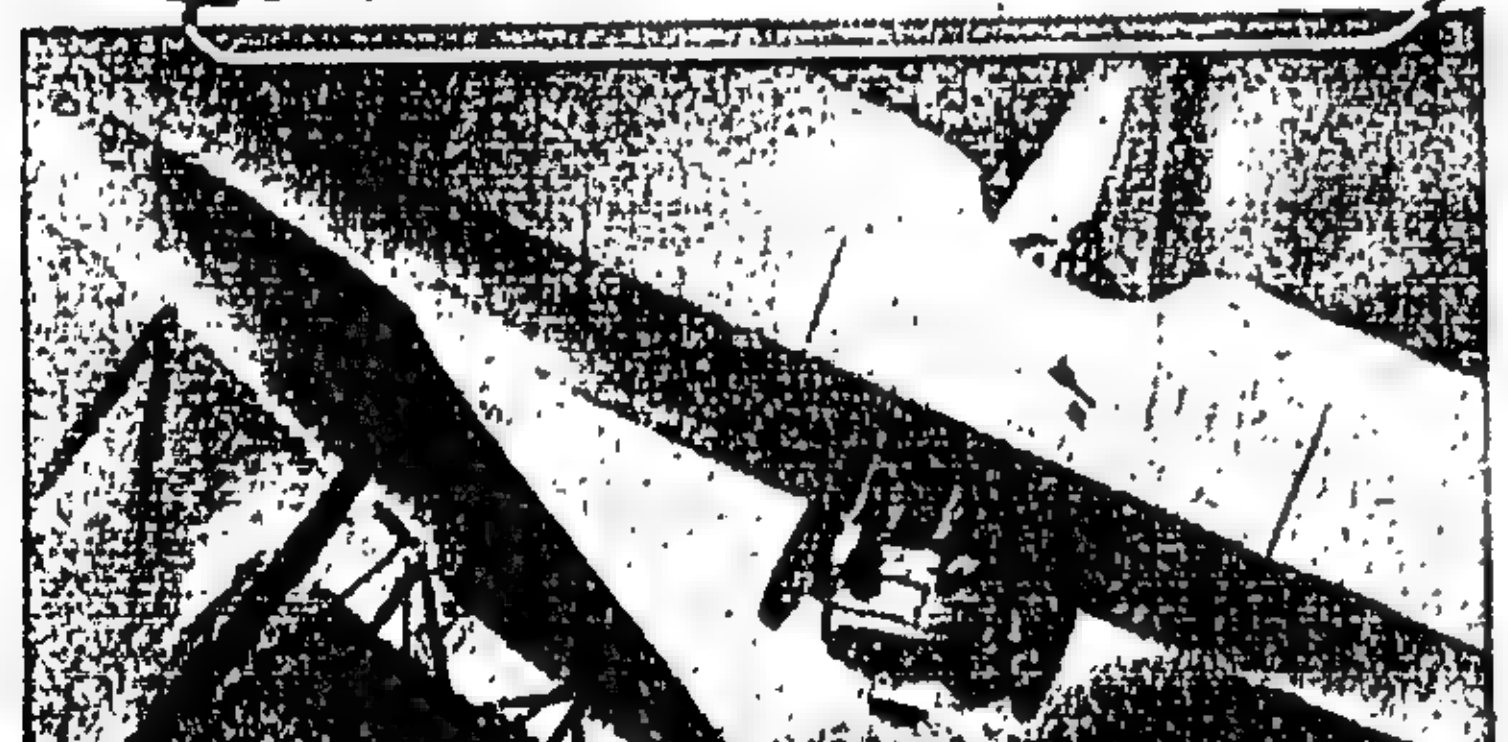
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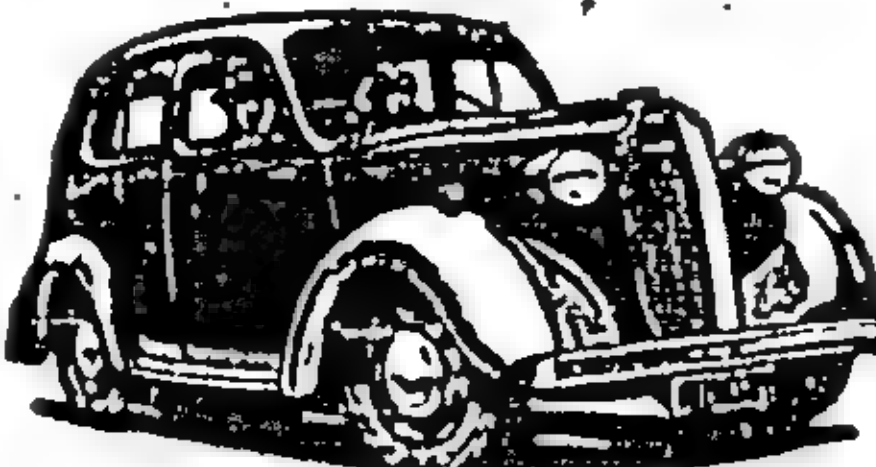
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Nonsense

WHAT A LOT of nonsense news agencies sometimes send us about international affairs!

Two European Powers, France and Italy, shout rude remarks at one another.

As a result, misguided people pull long faces and talk of war.

As if incidents like this are not always part of our present inadequate form of civilisation. We have had them in the past and will have them in the future. Worse incidents. Grave tension. A-I no war came of them.

Fashoda, for instance, "Encyclopaedia Britannica" tells you about it. A place beside the Nile, where British and French forces met in 1898.

France sought to link up her possessions in West Africa with those at the entrance to the Red Sea. And Kitchener hurried up the Nile to head them off.

Europe was filled with alarm.

Nothing came of it. For Kitchener persuaded the French commander to evacuate Fashoda.

Though some Frenchmen cried out against the "Pact of Shame", the tension passed away. And six years later Britain and France made an entente which included a complete settlement of their colonial differences.

The disputes which bulk so large one day fade away into nothing the next.

The air is always full of rights and wrongs.

When the Tunisia and Djibouti grievances die down we will find more waiting. There are lots of people in Europe who seem to want to say their piece, and thump the big drum. There is a queue of oppressed nations seeking sympathy.

When they have all had their say perhaps somebody will start to talk sense to that silly continent that is Europe.

It is time the nations there settled down to the job of deciding how they are going to live alongside one another instead of trying to live on top of one another.

Until the dawn of that happy day, we will still go on receiving expensive cables telling us about new crises and new wrangles.

Postscript

We haven't written an editorial about Wang Ching-wei.

We do not intend to write an editorial about Wang Ching-wei.

That gentleman has already received too much free publicity.

Lady Drummond-Hay, who recently visited Hongkong, sends from London this absorbing article on

Defending This Empire

THE DICTATOR STATES, Italy the new Fascist Roman Empire and Nazi Pan-Germany, together with militaristic Imperial Japan, have been and still are openly gambling on the "Decline and Fall" of the British Empire.

As the New Year foreshadows The Shape of Things to Come, that is to me one of the most significant, certainly one of the most important factors looming on the horizon, which the diplomacy and power of Adolf Hitler, of Benito Mussolini and the ambitions of Japan want to weave into their pattern of the future.

Envious of the wealth and happiness of the free British peoples which is a constant reproach to their systems, covetous of British territories, somewhat intoxicated by sensational successes born in part of bold bluff, and in part of our own unpreparedness, the Fascist and Nazi regimes are deceiving themselves as to the real sentiment of the British people.

Our love of peace, admittedly sometimes expressed too vehemently, has occasionally been misinterpreted as a manifestation of nation-wide fear.

We in England did fear war, if by "fear" is understood a deep-rooted national revulsion against the folly and crime of war. But there was not then, there is not to-day, never has been "fear" to fight for country, Empire and all we hold dear.

The spirit of England is very much alive, even though we would rather talk of peace than of war. Those who take the absence of sabre-rattling and truculence as a sign of national cowardice will discover their mistake.

WE ARE YET too close to the picture to gain real perspective of the value of Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's flight to Berchtesgaden in September, humbling his own pride, the pride of his high office, of the Empire and of the British people. We cannot see the evolving details in proper relation one to the other, nor can we judge the wisdom of the Premier in allowing Adolf Hitler the exaltation of that triumph and the consciousness of a victorious conqueror at Munich. What many people still overlook is the fact that aside from British prestige, Hitler's sweeping success in the Czechoslovakian crisis, no British interests were sacrificed at Munich.

Berchtesgaden, Godesberg and Munich however, have had an inevitable consequence and effect which should by no means be underestimated. That is loss of prestige. Small nations can afford to be indifferent to prestige. Not Empires or Great Powers. Prestige has for many decades been Britain's most influential factor, not only within the Empire but all over the world.

Berchtesgaden, Godesberg and Munich projected the world-wide question "Is the British Empire on the Decline?" Germans and Italians openly affirm it. Americans suspect it. German, Italian publications discuss it. The question is asked in letters I receive from America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Hongkong, India and Shanghai.

AN ENGLISHMAN, Robert Briffault, living in America, has given impetus to the thought and doubt with a sensational book just out, entitled "The Decline and Fall of the British Empire."

The author reflects such extraordinary prejudices against England, and goes to such lengths to prove his contention, that it is difficult to believe he can be by birth an Englishman.

Some American newspapers interpret the forthcoming visit of the King and Queen to Canada and the United States next June in the light of a "Royal SOS to America"—that in effect, it is an appeal to America to "save the British Empire."

Some American commentators point to a possibility that England might fall under the domination of the Dictators, and go so far as to attribute President Roosevelt's gigantic rearmament programme to that idea, and America's isolation thereby.

One writer holds that "only a resurgence of the one-time national spirit of the 'Bull-dog breed' sweeping the Empire" can save Britain. Others maintain that Mr. Chamberlain is shrewdly playing for time for two purposes, to increase Britain's defensive strength, and to come to an understanding with America.

President Roosevelt, I have good reason for believing, is far from averse to such an understanding provided it is on a fifty-fifty basis. In view of the growing aggressiveness of the Dictator nations, an ever-increasing proportion of the American people are in favour of closer co-operation with Britain, despite the isolationist school of thought.

SINCE THE END of the World War, more particularly since the appearance on the European stage of the Dictator powers, Britain's policy has been shaped and fixed by the necessities, limitations, even weaknesses of Empire strategy.

In strong nations, political policy dictates military strategy on land, sea and in the air. If the reverse is true in England, it is in the circumstances unavoidable for the time being.

It should be recalled that the British Empire extends more than sixteen thousand miles around the globe, and in Africa this belt is three thousand miles wide.

The Empire embraces ninety-two countries, states, dominions, possessions, provinces, colonies, mandates, dependencies and protectorates, not to mention those countries such as Egypt, Transjordan and Iraq, whose protection against foreign invasion is directly or indirectly guaranteed by Great Britain. In the above number I have not counted separately the innumerable Indian States.

British Naval strategy is indicated by no fewer than twenty-six Naval bases and stations. British Royal Air Force air bases and commercial aerodromes are scattered over a line eleven thousand miles long to far off New Zealand. Britain's peacetime military forces on land in the vast Empire number scarcely one-third of Germany's standing army.

That the Central Government in London in formulating policy, more especially in times of grave international crisis, is necessarily influenced by the advice of the Imperial General Staff and the Admiralty, and must take into consideration the strategic requirements on this, the longest "front" in the world, is obvious.

The problems of naval, military and air strategy for the Empire which from time to time confront the Admiralty and Imperial General Staff and its treat from Moscow of Napoleon Chief, Lord Gort, whom I first met in China in 1927 when he was Chief of Staff of the British Expeditionary Force, are more difficult than those which any

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"It's a little annuity I took out for Junior—it'll make a nice nest egg when he grows up and needs bail."

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

A correspondent at Taku informs us that he hears on very good authority that the Chinese Government has authorized the construction of a railway from Tientsin to Tungchow.

The first through express train from Paris arrived at Constantinople to-day.

The marriage of Joseph Chamberlain, M.P. of Birmingham, England, and Miss Mary Endicott of Salem, Mass., took place at St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington. The ceremony was of the simplest possible description.

Jack Dempsey, the middle-weight champion pugilist of the world, and Professor Mike Donovan, retired middle-weight champion, met in a glove contest at mid-night. Six rounds were fought, and the contest was declared a draw.

25 YEARS AGO

The fifth annual ball arranged by the Taku Club was held at the Club house, Quarry Bay, and was a most successful affair. The attendance of three hundred was the biggest on record. A splendid supper was attended over by Mr. Reid, Vice President of the Club.

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TEN YEARS AGO

The failure of His Majesty to make any improvement in his general condition was again marked, and anxiety continued.

The Duke of Gloucester while hunting with the Quorn, near Barbary, fell at a wide ditch but escaped with a shaking.

England won the Third Test Match by three wickets, thus performing the feat of winning the mythical "Ashes" in Australia in the first three matches of the series of five. This is the first time England has won the "Ashes" in Australia since 1911-12.

With practically no rain at all in December, the water supply situation continues to give cause for anxiety on the Hongkong side. All the reservoirs are well below overflow, big T'yan Tuk being no less than 47 feet down.

FIVE YEARS AGO

The whole question of the local method of water distribution is involved in the petition which Chinese property owners have presented to the Government. In general, they are bound to receive a sympathetic hearing. The issue has been brought to a head by economic pressure, the tendency to lower rentals, the existence of many empty flats, with consequent waste of space, and the fact that the Chinese are consuming less water than the Europeans.

Following yesterday's Ladies' hockey trial in preparation for the forthcoming visit of the Australian Ladies' hockey team, a representative side was provisionally picked as under:

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hands. There are incompatibilities between Europe and the course you have hitherto pursued. The world needs peace. To ensure it, you must retire within territories consistent with general tranquillity or you will succumb in the struggle.

Let us have Anglo-American leadership and co-operation. The British nation will follow.

future and yours, lies in your

G.M.C. HEAR AMAZING TALE OF DOCTOR AND MARRIED WOMEN

"Guilty" But Not Struck Off

AN amazing story of a married doctor and a married woman, in which allegations of blackmail were made, was told in London recently to the General Medical Council.

Dr. John Christopher Jones, of Glebe, South Yardley, Birmingham, was found guilty of "infamous conduct in a professional respect" by committing adultery with the woman, Mrs. Hesba Woodman, usually known as Mrs. H. M. B. Jones, of Washwood Heath-road, Birmingham, on March 6, 1934, while he was her medical adviser.

The council, however, decided not to erase his name from the medical register.

Mr. A. S. Pereira said the complainant in the case was Mr. Edward Jones, no relative to anyone in the case, but a lifelong friend of Mrs. Woodman and her family.

Mr. Pereira said that in 1922 or 1923 Dr. Jones was medical adviser at Portloe, near Truro, to Mrs. Blamey and her two daughters, Mrs. Puckey and Mrs. Woodman.

Mrs. Woodman, however, was then known as Mrs. Blamey—she had kept her marriage secret from everyone, even her mother.

In 1926 Dr. Jones was asked by the husband to attend Mrs. Woodman at her second confinement.

After this, according to Dr. Jones, she began to pester him.

Dr. Jones moved to Chatham and the Blameys followed him. Later he went to Australia for 2½ years, returning in 1931 to go into partnership with his brother in Birmingham.

A CRY

Giving evidence, Mr. Edward Jones said that at Chatham in his presence Dr. Jones tried to induce Mrs. Woodman to go to Australia with him, saying he was willing to leave his own family.

He had been paying Mrs. Woodman £1 a week.

In September, 1932 he moved to Station-road, Birmingham.

Describing the scene on March 6, 1934, he said at lunch time he was in the kitchen and the children in the drawing room.

"Dr. Jones and Mrs. Woodman were in the dining-room. I heard her cry out and I went to the door."

"Dr. Jones was then about to come out of the dining-room door with the intention of leaving, but I stopped him."

"He said to me, 'Is this what you want?' put his hands up and attacked me."

"The children came on the scene. Mrs. Woodman was on the settee, crying."

"We had a fight, during which the sideboard capsized and some furniture was broken."

"The children screamed. They were very frightened. Eventually I escorted the doctor out of the door."

"When I saw him next I told him that I was tired of that method of treatment and it was time he put that sort of thing out of his head and let her live a decent life."

"His reply," said Mr. Jones, "was always the same: 'I love her and I want her to go away with me. I shall never be happy until she does.'"

"IN PUBLIC INTEREST"

Cross-examined by Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C., for the doctor, Mr. Jones agreed that he was charging Dr. Jones with rape four and a half years ago, of which he knew at the time.

Mr. Roberts: You say you are bringing this charge for protection?—in the interests of the general public.

I suggest to you this charge is brought because Dr. Jones has refused to pay you and Mrs. Woodman any more money?—No.

I suggest that in the middle of October of this year you sent a message to Dr. Jones saying that you would withdraw the charge. If he would resume payments?—This is the first word I have ever heard of such a thing.

Have you constantly used the threat of this tribunal as a lever to get money out of him?—I have never used that threat at all at any time.

Mr. Roberts: I have to suggest to you that you are a liar and a blackmailer—I am not a liar, and I am certainly not a blackmailer.

Mr. Jones denied that before Dr. Jones went to Australia he (the doctor) sent Mrs. Woodman £100.

Mr. Roberts: On the occasion of this rape—March 6, 1934—was Mrs. Woodman screaming for you?—Yes.

Mr. Roberts produced two cheques from Dr. Jones made out in the name of Mrs. Jones. They were dated 27-3-34 and 28-3-34, and were for £2 and £3.

Mr. Roberts: In addition to your threats to Dr. Jones, did you begin in 1933 also threatening his wife?—I have never spoken to her and I would not know her if I saw her.

Did you telephone her and ask her if she was interested in divorce?—No.

Mr. Roberts' last question was, "I suggest that none of your actions in this matter has been actuated by motives of public benefit. I suggest they all have been actuated by motives of blackmail."

"No, they have not," replied Mr. Jones.

"SAVED"

Mr. Pereira said he had been instructed by Mr. Jones that if the evidence of Mrs. Woodman, which would be of a painful nature, could not be given in camera, and unless she could be referred to as Mrs. Jones, and not as Mrs. Woodman, he would not allow her to be called.

The council refused the application, and so the case for the complainant closed.

In evidence Dr. Jones said Mrs. Woodman was always saying that she had saved him—meaning that she could have reported him to the council.

Mr. Roberts: Is there any truth whatever in this allegation of rape?—Absolutely none.

Asked to tell what happened on March 6, 1934, Dr. Jones, speaking with great emotion, said:

"I received a telephone call that Mrs. Woodman had gone away to commit suicide."

"These calls came repeatedly during the day and finally there came a call late in the evening, asking me to go there. I went. I believed when I went that it was true."

"Mrs. Puckey (Mrs. Woodman's sister) told me Mr. Jones had found her rushing about like a wild thing on the railway station and had brought her back."

VISIONS OF COURT

Dr. Jones faltered and sat with his head in his hands for a minute before continuing.

"I had visions she might have committed suicide. She might throw herself under a railway train. She might do away with herself."

"I had visions of a coroner's inquest, identifying the body, and sort of obituary which might be buried against me."

"When she came I was terribly relieved to see her alive, and I went up to her, put my arms around her, feeling terribly grateful that she hadn't committed suicide. I held her tight, and she held on to me, and I committed adultery."

Mr. Roberts: Is there any truth whatever in this story of rape at mid-day and her screaming and fighting and upsetting the furniture?—Just a pack of lies.

Dr. Jones enumerated the large number of payments he had made, including sums for rent and rates, and said: "I was always the suggestion behind these payments that they were saving me from the General Medical Council."

Dr. Jones said after the complaint had been made to the G.M.C. Mrs. Puckey suggested it might be withdrawn if he resumed payments of 30s. a week.

Mr. Douglas Bartley (legal assessor): Were you the father of any of these children?—The only possibility is the third, and that seems to me to be extremely unlikely.

Mr. Bartley: You are not the father of the first or second?—Definitely not.

The council then gave their verdict after a short retirement.

Colonial Administration School At Oxford

London. THAT the University's next Summer School on Colonial Administration will be held in 1940 is announced by the Oxford Society in the winter number of their journal, "Oxford," published recently. It is generally thought, state the Society, that it would be a mistake to make the School an annual event.

The second session of the School, held under the auspices of the Social Studies Research Committee at Lady Margaret Hall from June 27 to July 9 last, under the chairmanship of Professor Coupland, with Miss Perham as vice-chairman. More than 150 Colonial officials home on leave attended, including 21 from Malaya (three of whom were Malays).

The session was opened by the Vice-Chancellor of the University and the Secretary of State for the Colonies. In the course of a speech in which he defined the goal of British Government as "the ultimate establishment of the various colonial communities as self-supporting and self-reliant members of a great

commonwealth of peoples and nations," Mr. MacDonald assured the Vice-Chancellor of the warm support accorded to the School by the Colonial Office and the Colonial Governments.

The sequence of lectures followed an inaugural address by Lord Lugard. The background of world politics and economics was sketched by Sir Alfred Ernest Barker and Mr. H. D. Henderson, while Lord Lothian spoke on India and Professor Gibb on Islam.

For comparison with British administration in Africa and Malaya, Mr. Hobart dealt with Indian and Monsieur Marzouki with Belgian Administration.



Pauline Neubronner and Cynthia and Rosalind, daughters of Mr. D. O. Silver, as they appeared in the Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, "Cinderella"—King's Studio.

G.M.C. Hear Widow's Divided Plea For Doctor Who Time Killed Her Husband Between Two Homes

—Bigamy case Allegation

BROUGHT from prison to appeal for his future career before the General Medical Council in London recently, Dr. David Davidson Watson, of Wakefield, serving a 20 months' sentence for manslaughter, read letters from the mother and widow of the man he killed.

The widow said: "I hope from the bottom of my heart you will be able to continue your good work among the sick."

The doctor pleaded that to be struck off the register "can only be equaled by imprisonment for life," but he pleaded in vain.

The Council ordered his name to be erased.

Watson was sentenced at Manchester Assizes in July for manslaughter by killing a cyclist as he drove a car while under the influence of drink.

Mr. F. P. Winterbottom, acting solicitor to the Council, said that Watson was before the Council in May, 1936, following a conviction for being drunk in charge of a car.

Watson told the Council that a cyclist turned into his path from the wrong side of the road; he swerved to his own wrong side to avoid this cyclist, and as he was returning to his proper side two other cyclists rode in front of him. He hit the back wheel of one of the machines.

He had had two small whiskies and a glass of beer.

"THE IRONY OF IT"

"I have come from prison to-day, and to prison I go back to-night," Watson said. "What my reactions will be in prison to-night—whether different from what they have been before—are depends on you, gentlemen."

"The irony of the thing is that the unfortunate person who was killed was a patient of my own. Since going to prison I have had letters from his wife and from his mother."

"Surely these people would not write to me if they thought I was entirely to blame. They would have some grudge against me, but they don't."

The widow wrote: "I thought I must write you again to say baby and myself are both well. I have met several people lately who knew you and appreciate your services."

MOTHER'S SYMPATHY

The mother's letter said: "I hope you are keeping very well. It must all be very trying to you, and I offer you my sympathy. I am sure that, given an opportunity of beginning again, you will make good."

Watson said that he had no private means and no other calling. His friends had stood by him. A doctor had offered him help.

He spoke of his 20 months' discomfort, "to be measured by the hour, by the day, by the week, and by the month."

"You are, in effect, being asked to-day to sentence me a second time for the same offence," he declared. He produced a number of letters.

One from the Mayor of Wigan stated that Watson's present punishment was severe and that he sincerely hoped that he might have the opportunity of assisting him.

SCIENTISTS' NEW HOPES IN FIGHT WITH CANCER

IN a laboratory barely out of earshot of the Oxford Street traffic three young research workers have laboured for five years to study the effect of massive quantities of radium on cancer.

An important advance in the campaign against cancer may be announced in the report on their first four years' work to be published by the Medical Research Council in about a fortnight's time.

This was hinted recently by Sir William Bragg, president of the Royal Society, who declared that the research had proceeded "with no little success."

The three workers are Miss Constance A. P. Wood, radiologist, formerly research radiologist at King's College Hospital; Dr. T. Anthony Green, assistant radiologist, who came to this country from New Zealand; and Mr. L. G. Grimmett, physicist, who installed the original radium plant at Westminster Hospital.

They have worked in co-operation with Dr. Roy Ward, medical director of the Radium Institute.

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Charles Christian, aged about 60, of Aberdeen, chief engineer of the British ship Dealock, has been missing since he left the vessel at Kowloon Dock at 3 a.m. on Wednesday.

Christian walked off the ship at the eastern jetty and has not been heard of since. His clothes and other belongings are in his cabin.

A search in the vicinity and inquiries by the police have been fruitless.

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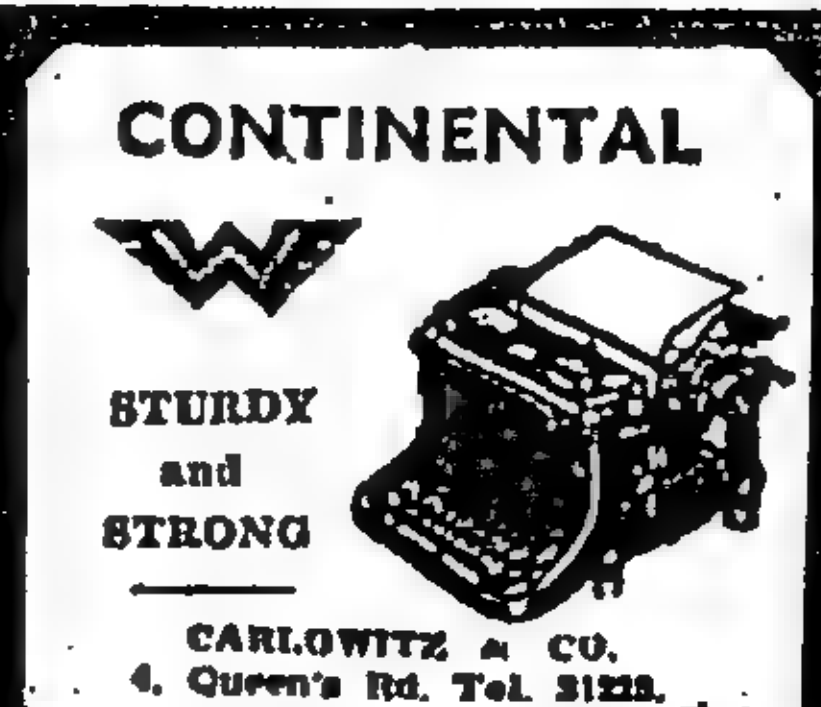
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NO HOPE OF COMING THROUGH!



WHAT A FINISH!—The poor chap in the middle is having a tough time getting through. The finish of one of the boys' races at the Children's Annual Sports held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on New Year's Day.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

Here And There With "Abe"

Better Umpires Needed For Junior Cricket

WITH the Junior League matches starting on Saturday, this is a good time to bring up a point in connection with cricket matches in the Colony to which sufficient attention, I feel, has never been paid. I refer to the question of umpires for our League matches. While many senior teams take the trouble to bring along their own umpires, few junior sides do, and consequently the choice of officials in junior games generally depends upon who is present on the ground when an innings commences or what players are available to officiate—a haphazard procedure which should not be allowed to continue in important matches. Everyone will appreciate that it would be most difficult for the League to supply umpires for every match; but at the same time, it is equally obvious to anybody who knows anything about the standard of umpiring in local junior games that something should be done in the matter. It is only fair to both batsmen and bowlers that greater discrimination be shown in the selection of umpires where points are at stake.

Captain's Duty

THERE are many cricketers here and elsewhere who do not believe in the League system. But the fact remains that we have a League competition in Hongkong, and this being so, it is only right that it be conducted properly. I am not suggesting that the League should come forth now and appoint two umpires for every official game. Of course, this would be the best step to take, and one of these days perhaps we will see it done; but at the present moment the next best thing would be for the captains either to follow the foot-steps of the senior skippers by having

their own umpires or seeing to it that the people they send out to take charge of a match know something about the laws of the game. A little pains taken in this matter at the start might save a great deal of embarrassment and even unpleasantness later on. It is all very well to say that an umpire's decision is final, but when one is given out by an umpire who obviously does not know much about the laws of cricket, one cannot help doubting the correctness of the decision.

Queer Decisions

FEW cricketers not playing in Junior cricket in the Colony realise how poor the standard of umpiring is. Only this season I have seen some very peculiar decisions given by umpires who obviously knew very little about cricket. Three weeks ago, I heard an "umpire" asking what the six chips in the umpire's gown were for! This same "umpire" knew nothing else except "middle stump" when a batsman wanted his guard and was completely mystified when "two-leg" was asked for. Subsequently he gave two men out leg-before-wicket while he was standing closer to mid-on than to the stumps! There was another instance of an umpire who gave a man not out in the following circumstances. A batsman jumped out to hit a ball and missed it; the ball also beat the wicket-keeper and was deflected to first slip, who promptly threw down the wicket with the batsman still out of his crease. An appeal, of course, was made and the umpire's verdict was "Not Out." There was another classic example of ignorance of the rules which proved extremely amusing at the time to everyone except the batsman who had been given out l.b.w. only

ARMSTRONG FALL WAS BIG HOAX

Los Angeles, Dec. 23. "Homicide" Henry Armstrong revealed to-day why he caused the postponement of his bout with Ceterino Garcia of the Philippines Nov. 2 to Nov. 25.

The Negro welterweight and lightweight champion said he knew he was not in condition when he finished training for "the welter little bout with the Phil" and give a fight that would make fans, he "took a couple of good" falls in front of several witnesses, "to cause postponement of the bout."—United Press.

the over before. When he got back to the pavilion, he maintained that the ball was outside the leg stump at the time it hit his pads, and muttered something to the effect that the umpire did not know what he was doing. His team-mates merely laughed, thinking that it was just the complaint of a disgruntled batsman; but in the next over from the same end, the umpire was seen frankly signalling a wide after the batsman had hit the ball! The umpire was hazy about the rules after all.

Worth The Trouble

THESE are only a few examples of the sort of thing which junior cricketers have to contend with here. All these would not have arisen if the captain had had a greater discrimination in the choice of umpires. Judging by the results of matches played during the present season, junior teams seem to be fairly evenly-matched and competition is certain to be very keen. In the circumstances, extra care should be taken that decisions given are as fair as can be; it would be extremely unfortunate if bad decisions were allowed to affect the result of any League game. To avoid this, captains ought to pay a little more attention to the question of umpires. The trouble is worth it.

Snooker Record

TO settle all arguments regarding "What is a record break at snooker?" I have elicited the official views of Mr. J. C. Bisset, chairman of the Billiards Association and Control Council, writes Geoffrey Simpson.

He agrees that the maximum possible under all normal circumstances is 147, that being 15 reds, 15 blacks, and all colours up to the black. "But it is just conceivable," he pointed out, "that a player might score a break of 155. If one player committed a foul and left the next player could then pot a colour (counting as a red) and the black, and proceed to collect the 147 in addition. In the event of such a thing happening, we should have to recognise it as a record break of 155."

Standard

TO settle another argument, all world record breaks have to be made on standard-size tables. The difference in pocket aperture between the official standard table and some club tables is often quite small, but an eighth of an inch can make a vast difference to a first-class professional.

Joe Davis's new world's record of 138, made recently was accomplished on a standard table, and the table has already been officially measured.

One More Attempt

WALTER Hagen, four times winner of the British Open Golf title, does not intend to retire until he has had at least one more shot at the championship.

At the age of 44 the famous American golfer was said to be contemplating retirement, but he said that he was keenly anticipating a trip to Britain next year.

Hagen, who is reputed to have earned \$200,000 during his 20 years' golfing career, added that all he hoped for was a "break" in the weather. "I'm bound to get one before I put away my clubs," he said.

SECOND CRICKET TEST ENDS IN TAME DRAW AT CAPE TOWN

"THE PILGRIM" TAKES A HOLIDAY

As "The Pilgrim," our Hockey Correspondent, is on holiday, no Hockey Notes are being published to-day, nor for the next two Thursdays. "The Pilgrim's" next contribution will appear on Thursday, January 19.

Henry Cotton Asks £2,000 For Five Weeks' Golf Tour

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

WITH a new four-years contract with Ashridge Golf Club in his pocket, and the way clear for him to travel abroad, Henry Cotton, the man of surprises, has given his fellow-professionals something else to bite on. He is requesting a payment of £2,000 for his proposed five-weeks tour of America.

You can imagine them saying "What! £2,000 for five weeks. Why—that's £400 a week for playing golf. What a nerve he's got!"

Even the American P.G.A., who are now cabling Cotton offering to arrange a playing schedule for him, are liable to be surprised. In the United States they are accustomed to their sporting stars setting the pace in the matter of fees, but here is a Britisher out-stripping them all.

Moreover, our Henry wants his expenses paid. "I think a fair remuneration for a five-weeks tour in the States would be £2,000 clear," he says.

"I shall be losing money, anyway, by not taking part in the early British tournaments—and then there's my work at Ashridge."

ENVIOUS EYES

There is no doubt that the spectacle of Cotton pulling down £5,000 a year causes envious eyes to be cast from certain quarters. And the way things are moving for him, his income is going to make a further upward jump.

In a short while he starts a stage appearance at the London Coliseum at £300 a week. It will be a straight-forward golf show. He is expected to give a talk on golf technique and demonstrate different shots.

If you want to play a round with him at Ashridge it costs you £2. American trip, he takes the attitude "My price is so-and-so. If you can't pay it, or don't wish to, then we won't bother each other further."

INDEPENDENT

Do you blame him? I don't. And if some of those who are so ready to attack his assessment of himself would only stop to think, they would realise that Henry Cotton is doing a great deal to raise the standard of the golf professional.

The Cotton methods pay. Though not at present the open champion, he earns more than any of his contemporaries.

He owns a house which cost £5,000, and eight acres of land. He is heavily insured, and by his attitude towards those in search of his services he has evidently reached the happy stage of being more or less financially independent.

And he is only 31.



Lieut. Skelton, who has been in fine form in nearly every summer match played by the Navy this season, especially in the Triangular Tournament.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

BADMINTON LEAGUE RESUMES

St. John's defeated St. Andrew's "B" by 9-0 in the "B" Division of the Badminton League last evening.

Scores:
F. H. Kwok and R. Beaven beat A. S. Dills and J. Tomlinson 21-0, beat S. A. Broadbridge and F. H. Stokes 21-0, beat L. Gibson and S. Darby 21-0.

M. Smith and P. Wilson beat Dills and Tomlinson 21-0, beat Broadbridge and Stokes 21-0, beat Gibson and Darby 21-0.

D. Kwok and S. Newman beat Dills and Tomlinson 21-11, beat Broadbridge and Stokes 21-10, beat Gibson and Darby 21-1.

K. TONG v. V.R.C.
At Kowloon Tong last night, Victoria Recreation Club beat Kowloon Tong "B" by 5 games to 4.

N. A. E. Mackay and A. Chan (K. Tong "B") lost to T. Xavier and S. A. Rumjahn 15-21; beat W. Fisher and A. Ulrich 21-7; beat F. Castro and O. el Arcull 21-12.

J. A. de V. Soares and J. Tsang (K. Tong "B") lost to Xavier and Rumjahn 13-21; beat Fisher and Ulrich 21-13; beat Castro and Arcull 21-12.

A. E. el Castro and J. Tang (K. Tong "B") lost to Xavier and Rumjahn 3-21; lost to Fisher and Ulrich 20-23; lost to Castro and Arcull 8-21.

BRADDOCK-HARVEY BOUT NOT SETTLED

New York, Dec. 30.

Tex Sullivan, speaking on behalf of Joe Gould, manager of Jimmy Braddock, former world heavyweight champion, said yesterday that nothing whatsoever had been settled and nothing signed for the proposed contest between Jim Braddock and Len Harvey, the British champion.

"We cabled yesterday," Mr. Sullivan added, "demanding \$5,000, free of tax, three return tickets and all expenses."

Mr. Armand Vincent, well-known promoter, who is sponsoring the bout, is said to be consulting his Board of Directors to-day.

The fight, if all arrangements work out satisfactorily, will take place at Earl's Court in London either on May 10 or 11.

It is Mr. Vincent's intention to match the winner with Tommy Farr, former holder of the British title. A sensation was caused when announcement of the bout was made in London yesterday, as Braddock had told the world of his retirement some months ago, after defeating Farr.—Reuter.

HOCKEY TEAM ANNOUNCED

The following team has been selected to represent the "A" XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against H.M.S. "Hermes" on the club ground at Kings' Park at 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 6. The Club will play in white shirt.

F. Shields; L. F. Stokes, W. Schinabel; W. Brown, H. J. D. Lowe (Capt.); A. H. Pontius; G. D. Woolgar, W. Spencer, E. F. A. Morgan, K. A. Blomfield and L. P. Tamworth.

After the failure of the M.C.C. to dismiss the remaining South African wickets before lunch yesterday, the Second Test, played at Cape Town, fizzled out into a tame draw.

In reply to the M.C.C. total of 559 for nine wickets declared, the South Africans made 286 in their first innings, and in the follow-on, they had scored 201 for two wickets when stumps were drawn.

Cape Town, Jan. 4. The weather was glorious to-day when a crowd of only 500 saw Balaskas and Nourse resume the batting. The wicket was wearing slightly at the ends and promised to assist the spin bowlers, when Hammond brought into action immediately.

Only one run had been added to the overnight score of 213 when Balaskas was caught at mid-off by Paynter off Verity's third over. Although he had scored only 20 he had been very aggressive and hit five fours.

Verity, who had been bowling very accurately had an analysis at this stage of one wicket for four runs in seven overs, five of which were maidens.

Nourse reached his century in 242 minutes, including a six and nine fours. He then became most aggressive and sent several to the fence. At lunch the score was seven for 283, Nourse having compiled 120 and Melville, who was batting with a runner, 20.

A crowd of 600 saw the resumption of the game and early disaster for with the first ball Verity got Nourse leg before. The ball hit Nourse's toe and he started to run for a leg-bye but the umpire upheld Verity's appeal. Nourse had batted for 208 minutes to gather his 120 and had hit a six and 12 fours. Grand cutting and driving marked his batting.

The end came soon afterwards. Melville was bowled by Verity for 23 and Gordon was stumped by Ames from Goddard's second over. The innings closed at 286 and South Africa followed on.

EARLY MISFORTUNE

The South Africans met with early misfortune in their second innings. Mitchell, who opened as usual with Van Der Byl, nicked the fourth ball of Farnes' second over, an out-swinging, into the hands of Ames after scoring only one run. The total was two.

After this, however, Van Der Byl and Rowan batted confidently. They hoisted the 50 after 60 minutes, and at tea they were still together with the score taken to 87 for one wicket. Van Der Byl had 47 to his name and Rowan 36.

Gibb, the Yorkshire and Cambridge player, kept wickets after the tea adjournment as Ames had a sore finger. Van Der Byl was aggressive and reached his 50 in 91 minutes, having hit five fours.

The 100 went up after the South African innings had been in progress for 97 minutes. Rowan also completed his 50, which had taken 103 minutes. At 140, a separation was effected, Van Der Byl having the misfortune to hit down his wicket while playing Goddard. He had scored 87 runs in 139 minutes, his best shots being a six and nine fours.

Rowan and Nourse continued steadily until close of play, by which time the South African total had risen to 201.

Rowan's share was 89. He had

Australians Reject M.C.C. Proposal

Melbourne, Dec. 29.

The Cricket Board of Control to-day rejected the M.C.C.'s proposal to limit test matches in Australia to 30 hours. They welcomed, however, a suggestion to play five-day matches against England.—Reuter.

batted for three hours for his runs and hit seven fours.

Nourse had 19.

Scores:

M.C.C.

1st Inns. 559 (for 9 decd.)

S. AFRICA—1ST INNS.

B. Mitchell, b. Wright	42.
F. G. Van Der Byl, c. Verity, b. Verity	87.
E. A. Rowan, b. Wright	6.
A. D. Nourse, l.b.w., b. Verity	120.
A. W. Briscoe, l.b.w., b. Goddard	2.
W. W. Wade, c. Edrich, b. Verity	10.
A. B. C. Langton, l.b.w., b. Goddard	0.
X. Balaskas, c. Paynter, b. Verity	20.
Melville, b. Verity	23.
G. Gordon, st. Ames, b. Goddard	0.
E. Q. Davies, not out	0.
Extras	17.
Total	286.

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Farnes	13	3	37	0.
Edrich	5	1	15	0.
Goddard	38	15	64	3.
Wright	26	3	63	2.
Verity	66	13	70	5.

Fail of wickets:—1 (Van Der Byl) for 60; 2 (Rowan) for 79; 3 (Mitchell) for 151; 4 (Briscoe) for 100; 5 (Wade) for 170; 6 (Langton) for 177; 7 (Balaskas) for 214; 8 (Nourse) for 283; 9 (Gordon) for 283, 10 (Melville) for 283.

S. AFRICA—2ND INNS.

Mitchell, c. Ames, b. Farnes	1.
Van Der Byl, ht. wkt., b. Goddard	87.
Rowan, not out	89.
Nourse, not out	10.
Extras	5.
Total (for 2 wkts.)	201.

Fail of wickets:—1 (Mitchell) for 2; 2 (Van Der Byl) for 149.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Farnes	8	1	23	1.
Edrich	3	1	5	0.
Verity	10	5	13	0.
Wright	12	0	62	0.
Goddard	11	1	68	1.
Hammond	0	0	25	0.

—Reuter.

Royal Scots—Win Junior Shield Soccer Match

In a re-arranged Junior Shield soccer match at Sookkumpoo yesterday, the Royal Scots' second eleven only just managed to scrape through against their Third Division opponents, 24th Battery, R.A., by the only goal of the match.

As a matter of fact, the Gunners were unlucky to be eliminated from the competition as they had more of the play than their opponents. However, they had only themselves to blame for not scoring goals; they did everything but put the ball into the net.

The only goal scored in the match came within five minutes of the commencement. In attempting to clear, Minshall, the Gunners' goalkeeper, had the misfortune to knock the ball into the net when tackled by Williams.

On the whole, the game was a rather dull affair.

LEAGUE TIES

Stanley scored a comfortable victory at Happy Valley yesterday over 6th Brigade, R.A., in the "A" Section of the Third Division League by five goals to one. The game was fast and interesting, but the superior marksmanship of the Stanley team told in the end.

Scorers were Wooldridge (3) and Freer (2) for Stanley, and Saunders for the Brigade.

UNIVERSITY BEATEN

The Stonecutters W/S had little difficulty in beating the University in the "B" section by three goals to nil. The game was uninteresting owing

to the superiority of the Stonecutters team, for whom Ferris, Croft and Heap scored.

Easy Rugby Win For Hampshire

Playing in the County Rugby Championship at Portsmouth to-day, Hampshire defeated Sussex by 14 points to nil.—Reuter.

EDINBURGH BEATEN ON OWN GROUND

London, Jan. 4. In the second division of the Scottish Football League, Edinburgh, at home, lost to Dundee United by 4-1 to-day.—Reuter.

COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council will be held in the Association's rooms, the Bank of Canton, on Monday, January 9, at 8.30 p.m.

At the Banquet held at the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday, Nov. 9th, 1938, Sir Frank Bowater, Lord Mayor, the following wines were served:—

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FIRST-MINUTE SHOCK BEATS OXFORD

ANNUAL SOCCER MATCH FEATURED BY SPLENDID RALLY BY THE LOSERS

By Norman Ackland

Oxford Univ. 3 Cambridge Univ. 5
London, Dec. 5.
Oxford's fate was sealed in the inter-Varsity match at Dulwich when a miskick by Dianey let Hollins through to score in the first minute.

By the time the Dark Blues had recovered from this early shock they were three goals down, and though they afterwards provided most of the excitement by staging a grand rally, the terrific effort involved left them a tired, disoriented side, and Cambridge were well on top at the finish.

It was a thrilling if not a classic encounter and the experiment of playing the match on a Saturday on an amateur club's ground was a distinct success—there were 8,000 spectators, compared with a little over 2,000 at Highbury last year.

Oxford's defence never realised the promise shown in earlier games of the term. Davies put tremendous zest into his work at left-half, but Schofield was not up to form and there was a notable weakness at right-half, where Crompton had not the speed to cope with the lively Cambridge left wing.

After a shaky start Parry-Jones and Dianey settled down to defend steadily, but with the men in front of them overplayed for long periods their task was hopeless.

LOMAS WELL HELD

Individually, Sturdy and Seaford put in some splendid work, but as a line the Oxford forwards did not compare with the Cambridge attack. Lomas, generally regarded as the cleverest Oxford forward, was poorly supported by his partner, Blinch, and when he did get the ball could seldom beat Templer, who discovered how to stop him in last season's match—to draw back to cover, instead of trying a deliberate tackle.

No prulce could be too high for the cohesive work of the Cambridge forwards. Lees was the only one who did not score, but he was continually making clever openings for his colleagues, who snapped them up quickly.

These forwards got most support from Beeson, who played the game of his life at right-half, and the defenders, inspired by the captain, Templer, all rose to the occasion splendidly.

For some time after Hollins' surprise goal the Oxford defence was at sixes and sevens. Lindley snuffed up a through pass from Beeson to add to the lead, and from Lindley's corner-jack Goodyear gathered the ball, steadied himself and, taking deliberate aim, shot cleverly through a crowd of players.

DARK BLUES' EFFORT

Three goals down after half an hour's play, Oxford's cause seemed lost, but the match became thrilling in the extreme when the whole team pulled every ounce out of themselves

in a grand effort to save the match. Seaford scored from a scramble in the goal-mouth while Lowcock was lying on the ground, and four minutes later Sturdy ran half the length of the field and, cutting in brilliantly, gave Lowcock no chance with a great shot.

Directly after the interval Seaford equalised from Sturdy's pass, and for a few minutes Oxford appeared to have mastered the situation. But they faltered, and Washington picked up a pass from Lees to give Cambridge the lead again, and he scored another great goal from a pass by Hollins a few minutes later.

Subsequently both teams were obviously feeling the effects of the terrific pace maintained in the first half, but Cambridge never looked like relaxing their grip on the game.

OXFORD UNIV.: J. W. Naylor (Ashbury, Essex); J. K. Parry-Jones (Llanwyst, Glam.); H. A. Dianey (Winchester, B.N.C.); P. R. Crompton (Charleston, B.N.C.); S. Schofield (Bolton G.S., B.N.C.); H. A. Davies (Huddersfield, B.N.C.); R. J. Sturdy (Munro, Jamaica, Univ.); J. P. Gardner (Bradfield, B.N.C.); H. S. Seaford (Repton, Grimsby); J. H. Blinch (Mansfield, B.N.C.); J. H. Lomas (Charterhouse, New Coll.).

CAMBRIDGE UNIV.: H. F. Lowcock (Repton, Emmanuel); P. E. Templer (Bradfield, Trinity); J. G. Parsons (London Univ., Cath.); N. K. Beeson (Malvern, Cath.); W. R. Cliff-Hodges (Winchester, Trinity); D. Rowe (Manchester, G.S.); L. D. Hollins (Huddersfield, B.N.C.); K. Goodyear (Palmers Green, Cath.); H. Lees (Bolton G.S., Cath.); E. S. Washington (Newcastle-under-Lyme, Queens); A. F. Lindley (Ackworth, Emmanuel).

NEW YEAR GOLFING RESULTS

The following were the results of competitions played in the New Year Meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling:

Mixed Bogey Pool, New Course.—Col. and Miss King, 2 up, won. There were ten entries.

Bogey Par Pool, New Course.—H. J. Armstrong (10), 2 up, won. There were twenty-two entries.

Bogey Par Pool, Old Course.—L. C. F. Bellamy (22), 3 up, won. J. Stenerson (15), all square, won second prize on the last nine holes from A. E. Lissaman (3), also all square. There were 58 entries.

Medal Round, Old Course.—R. G. K. Way, 95-24=71, won. There were twenty-two entries.

LADIES TOURNAMENTS

Draw for Captain's Cup (1938) And Club Championship

The draw for the Captain's Cup (1938) Competition of the Ladies Section, the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, resulted as follows: Mrs. Hillier v. Mrs. Shewan; Mrs. M. Bell v. Mrs. Walker; Mrs. Cassidy v. Mrs. Whyte-Smith; Mrs. Collis v. Miss Glendinning; Mrs. Williams v. Mrs. Morrison; Mrs. Stewart v. Mrs. Mundy; Mrs. Piercy v. Mrs. MacKenzie; Mrs. Woodward v. Mrs. Over.

The first round to be played by January 27; second round by February 10; third round by February 28. The final to be arranged.

Club Championship
The following is the draw for the Club Championship (1939): Mrs. MacKenzie v. Mrs. Woodward; Mrs. Whyte-Smith v. Mrs. Cassidy; Mrs. Hillier v. Mrs. Tedmond; Mrs. Gilmore v. Mrs. A. B. Thomson; Mrs. Henry v. Mrs. Lissaman; Mrs. Robertson v. Mrs. King.
Bye into 2nd Round: Mrs. Shewan v. Mrs. Piercy.

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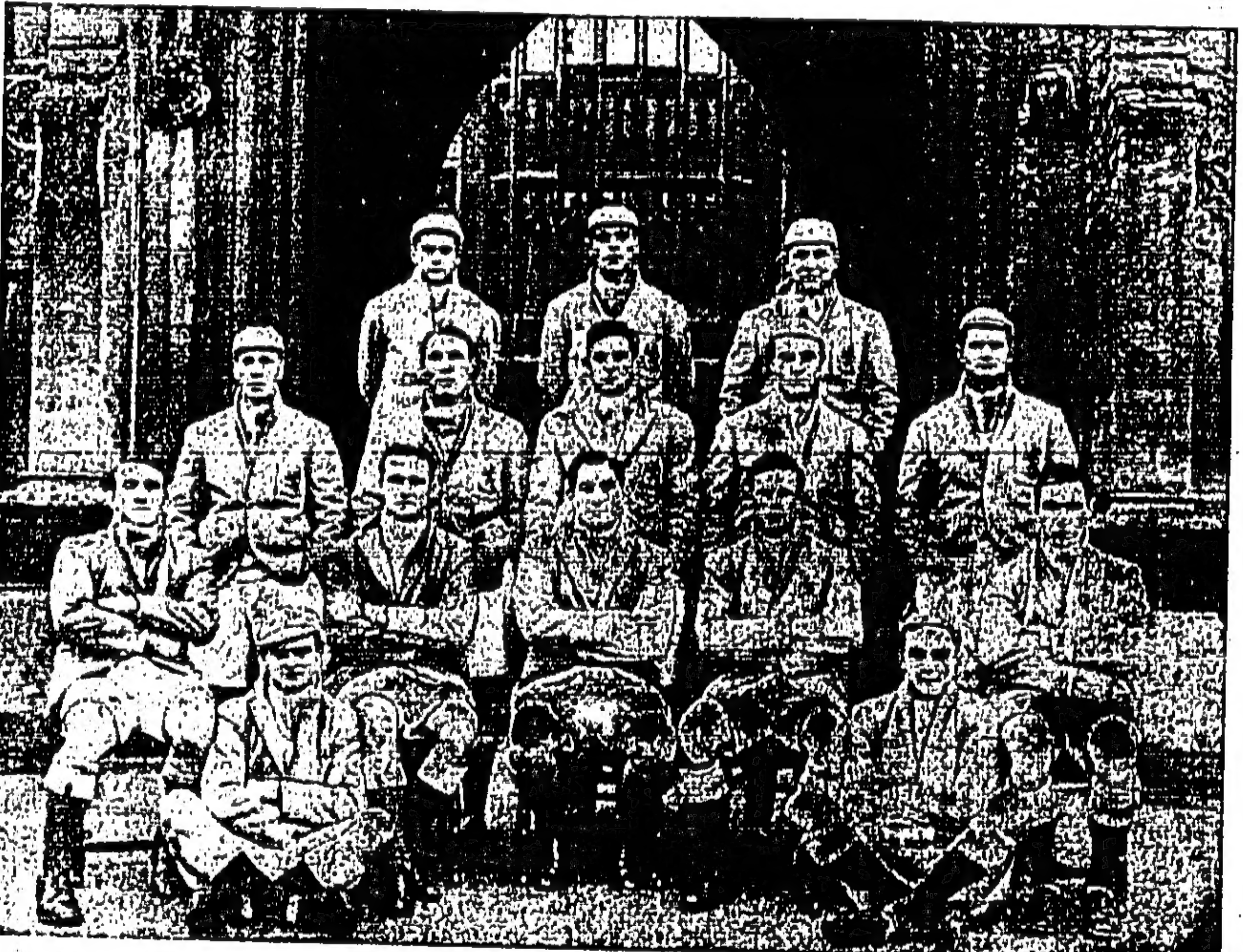
SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Sydney, Jan. 4.
Queensland beat New South Wales in the Sheffield Shield game by eight wickets.—Queensland 208 and 278-2; N.S.W. 214 and 264.—Reuter.

RUGBY TEAMS IN RECENT MATCH



Above is the Oxford XV which lost to Cambridge at Twickenham recently in the annual inter-University rugby match. Left to right, at back: G. A. Hollis, H. Muller, I. W. Sutherland, T. J. Cowen, P. C. Phillips, S. Pether, W. M. Jackson, T. R. Thomas. Seated: H. R. G. Percy, H. H. Pennington, R. M. Marshall, H. D. Frazer (captain), D. G. Coles, I. H. Watts, R. E. Luyt.



THE CAMBRIDGE XV—According to custom, only the new Blues are wearing their caps. Left to right, at back: P. Sherrard, M. Dods, J. H. Steeds. Second row: K. I. Geddes, C. L. Newton-Thompson, P. A. R. Lindsay, F. J. Leshman, J. C. Swanson. Seated: T. R. Parry, J. G. S. Forrest, W. O. Chadwick (captain), R. B. Bruce-Lockhart, K. D. Downes. In front: J. Parsons, T. R. Jukes.

Kowloon Tong Easily Beat S. And S. Home

Kowloon Tong "A" visited the Sailors and Soldiers Home last night and won by 8-1 in the "B" Division of the Badminton League.

Scores:
Walker & Thorn (S. and S.) lost to Peter Lo & P. Fletcher 11-21; lost to R. E. Lee & F. S. Ko 10-21; lost to F. Tsang & J. Stephens 5-21.

Cusack & Nicholson lost to Peter Lo & P. Fletcher 7-21; lost to R. E. Lee & F. S. Ko 6-21; beat F. Tsang & J. Stephens 25-22.
Griffiths & Manuel lost to Peter Lo & P. Fletcher 12-21; lost to R. E. Lee & F. S. Ko 8-21; lost to F. Tsang & J. Stephens 18-21.

Volunteer Cricket Team For Sunday

The following will represent the Volunteers v. University at Pokfulam on Sunday next at 2 p.m. sharp: A. C. Beck (Capt.), K. M. Baxter, F. A. Broadbridge, R. G. Broadbridge, F. A. Dunnott, R. H. Griffiths, T. A. Madar, W. L. McKenzie, H. A. Namak, E. M. L. Soares and A. Zimmern.

KID BERG TO FIGHT ARMSTRONG

"The chances of a fight between Kid Berg and Henry Armstrong for the latter's world welter-weight title look very favourable." Frankie Jacobs, Berg's manager, told Reuter's New York Correspondent recently.

"I discussed the possibility of such a match yesterday with General J. J. Phelan, of the New York State Athletic Commission, and he told me he saw no reason why Jack should not have a crack at the title."

"I believe that he will not only get the fight, but that he will beat Armstrong. Berg is going great guns now, and he has got the right style to defeat the Negro, because to beat Armstrong you have got to fight him at his own game."

NAVY BEAT CLUB

A Navy XV proved too strong for the Club "A" in a friendly rugby game played on the Club ground yesterday, the Navy winning by 9-0 after leading by six points to nil at the interval.

Scorers for the Navy were Stead, Solis and Thomas, while Stewart got the Club's points late in the second half.

SQUASH TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD

It is proposed to hold a squash tournament commencing on January 10, and concluding on February 10 or earlier if possible.

Entries, which must be accompanied by a fee of \$1, will be received by the Assistant Hon. Secretary, Cricket Club Pavilion, Chater Road, up to 4 p.m. on January 11, and the draw will be published in the local press on January 14.

Matches will be the best of five games, and up to the semi-finals may be played on any courts in the Colony. The semi-finals and final will be played on the Club No. 1 Court.

SOCCER AMATEURS TO MERGE

London, Jan. 4.
The leading amateur football clubs, the Corinthians and Casuals, which are now controlled by a joint committee, have agreed in principle to merge at the end of the present season.—Reuter Special.

GOLFERS! HENRY COTTON

WRITES:—

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Up to your neck in yokes

—they are the newest shoulder line



Yokes appear on everything this year—coats, frocks, jerseys, and particularly blouses. They are becoming a charming personality. Here, therefore, are a few hints on how to deal with hand troubles.



Deep circular tucks run from shoulder to shoulder of this burgundy red crepe blouse. (These rounded lines are good if you are slim.) The blouse is burgundy red, the stitching round the tucks pale cyclamen pink. Stitched tucks on above-the-elbow sleeves follow the same line as the yoke.



More dressy idea for an afternoon blouse. This is a heavy violet silk with full magpie sleeves, wide cuffed. It fastens up the front with a strip of deep crimson embroidery, and the same embroidery makes a scalloped yoke. The yoke is plain, the rest of the blouse paneled, with a seam running from each scallop.



Tailored cut on a jersey blouse. This has raglan sleeves, cut in on a slant to the neck. The pointed yoke runs out on the shoulder, ends in a high stock neck-line, fastened with three buttons. Edges of the yoke are stitched with a tinsel thread. Blouse fits tightly into a narrow waist.

Beautiful Hands

UGLY hands will often spoil a pretty face. This may sound far-fetched, but it is true. They may quite possibly take the illusion out of a charming personality. Here, therefore, are a few hints on how to deal with hand troubles.

One of the commonest troubles is redness. This may be due either to bad circulation or to woefully bad washing and drying. Anyway, the following tips will help both causes. An invaluable exercise for the hands is to move all the fingers vigorously as if typing. Do it until the hands are tired, then rest and do some more. Incidentally, this also makes the hands supple, which is another beauty point to be aimed at. To vary the above exercise, tap the fingers briskly on a table, again as if typing. This brings the blood to the hands and finger-tips.

If you feel that you are wasting your time in doing these things, then do them while you are listening-in to a wireless programme, or even reading. It is quite easy, and you can adopt the same time-saving procedure for any of the following ideas.

After Washing

As regards washing, lather and rub and wash the hands well to get all the dirt out, then wipe absolutely dry, rubbing briskly with the towel to get the blood moving. Then make it a habit to apply a little hand-lotion after each wash, to prevent roughness and wrinkles. Find a good feeding lotion and rub it in energetically. Keep some lotion handy by both wash-basin and sink. If your hands are in a very bad state, do the following as an extra treatment until they show improvement. Rub olive oil generously into fingers and hands, wipe off most of it, then wash well with a super-fatted soap and finish with hand-lotion.

In any case, and particularly if your hands show a tendency to scragginess, it is good to give the hands a periodical "feed." Use a good feeding cream and rub it in to every part of the hands. Wipe off most of it, put on some loose gloves, and go to bed like that.

For Large Knuckles

Protruding knuckles should have a somewhat similar treatment. Keeping each finger taut, rub some feeding cream into each knuckle. The best way is to hold each knuckle joint between finger and thumb of the other hand and to tap and press by opening and shutting the two gripping fingers.

All these treatments, by the way, will also help to keep rheumatism and chilblains at bay. Look to your nails also. If they are in bad condition, either liable to break or become ridged, soak them periodically in some hot olive oil, then wipe off only superfluous fat, and go to bed with loose gloves on them. This feeds and strengthens them. Never forget to push the skin down at the base of the nail every time you wash your hands.

We cannot all have naturally beautiful hands, but we can do much to help them in that direction.

Anne Morris

Polishing Points

When washing linens, use a drying cloth which has been wrung out in a little hot water.



*Mary Grace chooses—

GUEST FROCKS

for the week-end suitcase

A WEEK-END away in the winter makes a grand break, but if you are in your 'teens or early twenties the worrying thought may crop up "what clothes shall I need?"

This week I am giving two general utility dresses that will put you right on top of the world, as they will carry you over your winter week-end visiting with the greatest of ease.

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When you are young you must needs study the pennies, so I have modelled these frocks with material that is just round about two shillings a yard, and yet is up to the minute of fashion.

Just think how attractive the frock on the left of the sketch, No. 1205, would look in velvet.

An afternoon dress in this fabric looks good all the time; it is practical, yet has an expensive air. I suggest ring velvet for this.

★ ★ ★

For the fashionable redhead there is a deep laurel green, sapphire blue, mulberry or black. The baby blonde will look charming in sea blue, gormium red, dahlia or jade green.

Brunettes should choose claret red, dragonfly green or a golden brown. All sensible colours, you'll notice, that do not soil quickly.

A simply cut and easy-to-make style with alternative sleeves, one fitting to wrist and the second short and squared at shoulder.

The bodice has the fashionable yoke line attractively eased, and a neat fitting skirt.

On the right is just the very frock, No. 1206, to wear under your coat if you are off for a spin in the car or for a Sunday morning walk in the country.

This, too, has a pretty yoked top, and the pattern is marked for cutting if you like a short sleeve.

Glenarry checks are the latest news in patterned designs, and have had this practical frock designed in this type of material.

New Evening Wear

VARIETY is the spice of the new evening gowns. You can look demurely Victorian in a crinoline, or be stately and tall in a draped dress made of some soft clinging material, or you can adopt the corsialed waistline and wide, flared skirt which add interest to many of the season's evening fashions.

There is practically no limit to the range of materials and colours, and necklines have, perhaps, never been so individualistic. There are high and low necklines, and of course, the strapless shoulder line is stylish.

Among the new styles, most of which are of Paris inspiration, is a beautiful black gown similar to one worn by the Duchess of Kent. It has a very full skirt and an elaborate bodice.

phased waistline with a zip-fastener down one side. On the corsege is a cluster of pink roses and over the gown is worn a dainty small lace shoulder cape.

Striking colour contrasts are featured in many of the gowns shown, for instance, bright purple is effectively allied with magenta, and a coat of colourless tulle from your manœuvre set. This freshens them up.

When washing net or lace curtains add one tablespoonful of flour to the starch. They will keep fresh much longer and hang better.

Mothers!

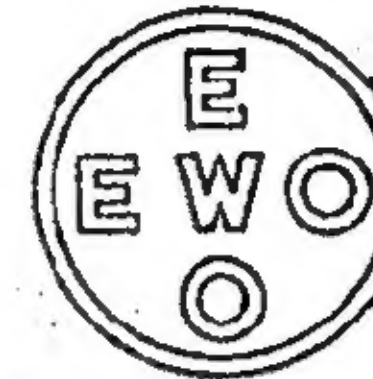
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AT ALL STORES

Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

1—Author of "The Drinker"

2—Indian tribe

3—Pluralistic use of word (pl.)

4—Wise

5—Local grounds for thinking

6—After

7—College head

8—Drive for indicating direction of wind

9—Slings around

10—Have confidence

11—With many years

12—Fall in vigor

13—Maintained vigor only

14—Abrogated

15—Kind of first American flag

16—Prison cell

17—Olive confidence to

18—Spoiled beauty of

19—Overup as standard of measurement

20—Bureaucratic

21—Part of gram

22—Kind of soap

23—Beginnings tricks

24—Crane

25—Large vessel

26—Biting in time

27—Dish of currency

28—Tending to escape

29—Processions

30—Device for feeding coal to furnace

31—Efficient

32—Water pitcher

33—Domesticator

34—Down

35—Fast but reliance

36—Conjuncture

37—Redoubt

38—Durable products

39—In French

40—Avenue

DOWN

1—Portions of surface

2—Amount where one

3—Temporary way

4—Garden of secret

5—Nationalism

6—Sons and

7—Shareholder

8—Have days of

9—Allow to flourish, as fat

10—Process for harness

11—Discriminating

12—New covers

13—One who depicts arm of sea

14—Sons and

15—Disagree to insist

16—Sovereign

17—Bureaucratic

18—Bureaucratic

19—Little to in us, none from office

20—Latter all stars

21—Authoritative

22—Wander aimlessly

23—Christian festival

24—Article of apparel

25—Metric quality

26—Are freight

27—Load of

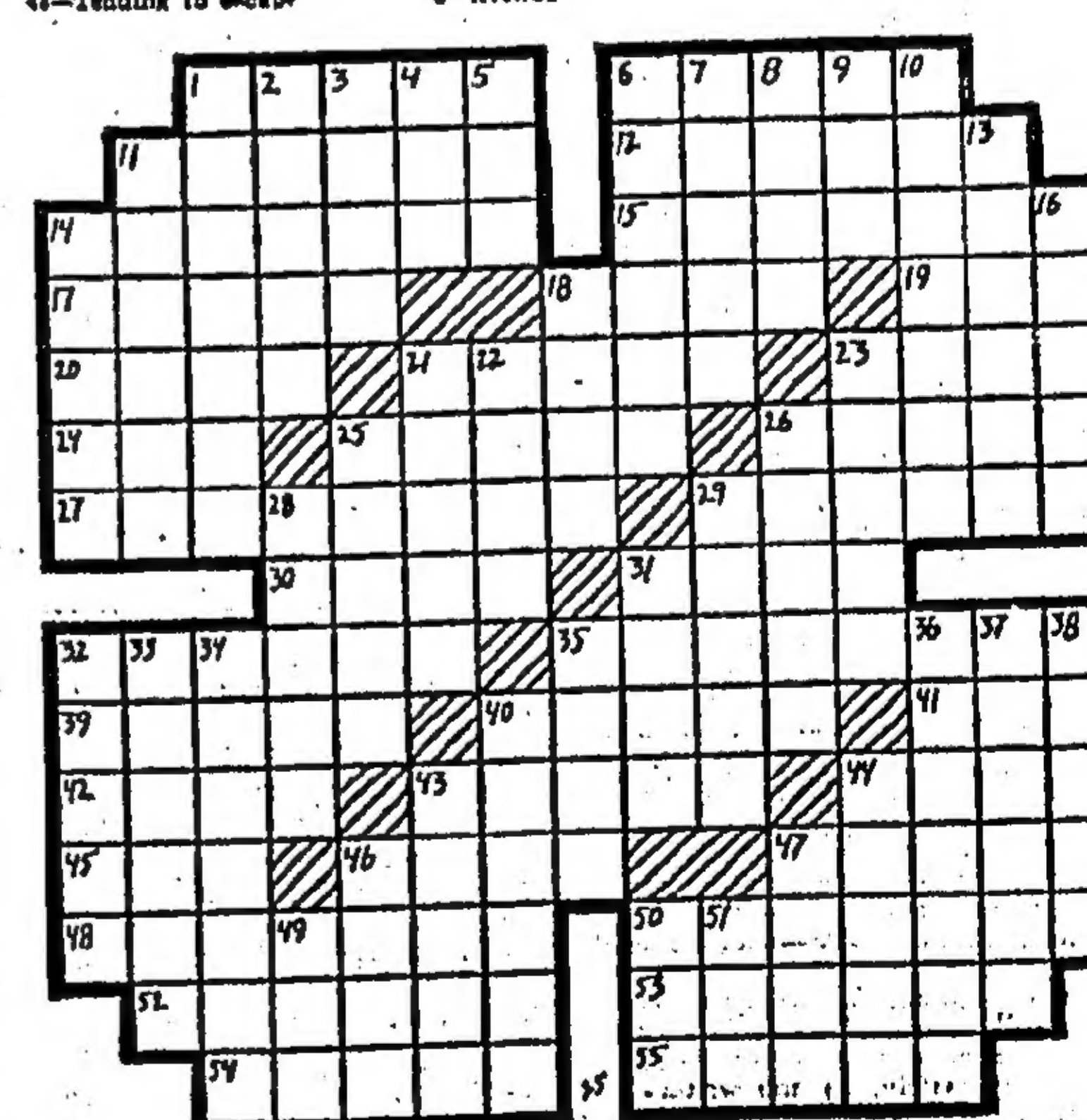
28—Feed to satisfy

29—Faint with rage

30—Carry

31—South American

32—Mexican



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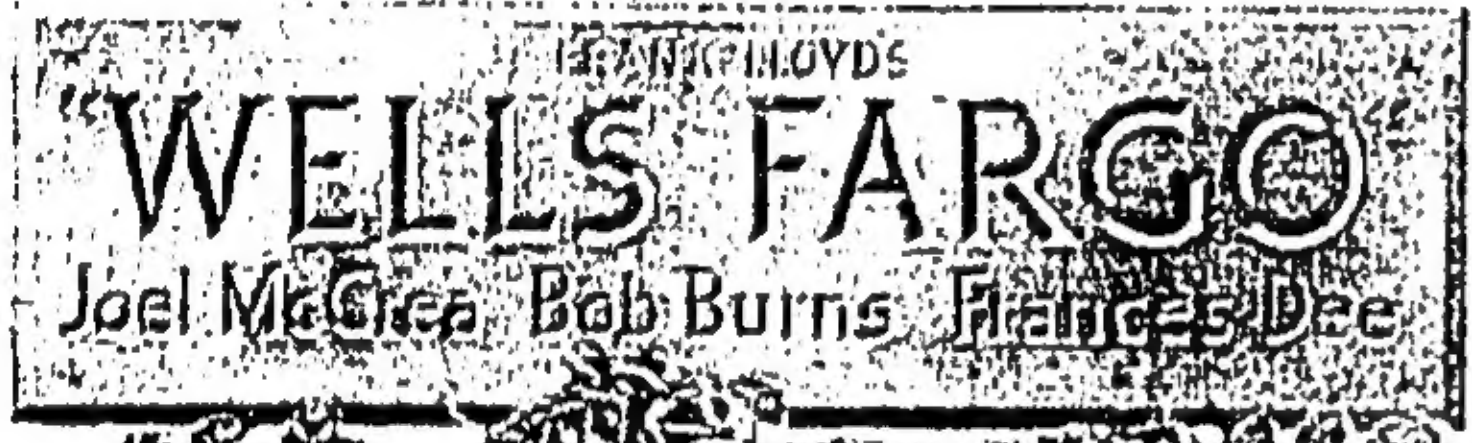
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Sea Hero "Jumped Into Jaws Of Death"

BRITAIN'S bravest deed recently was performed by a Lowestoft workman, father of nine children.

The hero was William Eade. He and William Cunningham were working on sea defence work at Pakefield, Lowestoft, when they heard cries for help, and saw a woman struggling in the water, which a gale was driving in huge waves against the sea wall.

Eade pulled off his thigh boots, tied a rope round his waist, and jumped over the wall into the breakers.

He reached the woman, grasped her, and fought his way back to the steps.

Time after time he was dashed against the wall, and one of his legs was injured.

WITNESSES' TRIBUTE
Cunningham then jumped into the sea and helped Eade and the woman, who was unconscious, to the shore.

The woman was Mrs. Ethel Leathley, aged 57, of Pella, St. Anne-on-Sea, a patient in a nursing home here.

"Eade jumped into the jaws of death," an eye-witness said.

"He ran the double danger of being drowned and being battered to pieces against the wall."

ROOSEVELT SPEECH REACTIONS

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public believe that American homes were endangered.—United Press.

GERMAN REACTIONS TO SPEECH
Berlin, Jan. 4.

Official German reaction to President Roosevelt's speech, many vital parts of which were directed against totalitarianism, cannot yet be ascertained, but one unofficial source observed: "Privately, we are disappointed in President Roosevelt's speech," while another comment was: "We are not surprised."

The speech was in the same tone as previous statements by President Roosevelt and other Government officials.

The speech was awaited eagerly by all Germans with radio sets powerful enough to listen-in to the London relay.

The newspapers carried no previous announcement regarding the address.—United Press.

LONDON MARKET BOOMS

London, Jan. 4.

The unofficial street clock market boomed optimistically to-day as a result of President Roosevelt's eagerly-awaited address. Trans-Atlantic moved up substantially, while Chrysler Motors gained, as did U.S. Steel.—United Press.

Classics Read By Younger Generation

London.

A lively controversy has been aroused in the Press by statements by Sir D'Arcy Thompson, Professor of natural history at St. Andrews, and Sir Charles Grant Robinson, Principal of Birmingham University, suggesting that the younger generation of students are unacquainted with the classics of English literature.

The Times to-day publishes the opinions of a number of librarians whose evidence, while not immediately relevant to the complaints of the eminent university teachers, do at least conflict with any idea of a general decline of public interest in the literary masterpieces of other times.

In the case of Swift's "Gulliver's Travels"—one of the books mentioned in Sir D'Arcy Thompson's indictment—copies in the lending library of one London borough have each been borrowed more than 50 times in the past year while at Croydon it was reported to be in steady and constant demand.

A short time ago the man, George McGowan, received by post from a man he had met in Paris a packet of cocaine, who suggested he should sell it and keep anything over £20.

For more than a week McGowan wandered about miserably, wondering what to do, the packet "burning a hole in his pocket."

At last he showed it to a man in the West End, and was arrested almost at once.

Magistrate Sir Rollo Graham-Campbell bound McGowan over.

Bus Driver "Service Man"

Houston, Tex.

"Extra-curricular" activities of W. C. (Bill) Fleet has made him a popular bus driver. He wakes early rises with horn blasts so they can catch his bus going back to town, takes care of children for busy mothers, brings ice from town, buys groceries and tips housewives to shopping bargains.

"POLITICAL COLLAPSE," SAY PAPERS

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not help solve the conflicting issues now confronted by Japan. These include the enlargement of military operations in China vs. Japan's stringent financial conditions, the domination of China vs. the readjustment of relation with foreign Powers, the cessation of hostilities vs. the upsurge of peace and order in China, the development of China's economic resources vs. the shortage of Japan's own financial resources, and the alliance with Germany and Italy vs. the rapprochement with Britain and America.

The "Sing Tao Jih Pao" opines that the greatest blow to the Konohe Cabinet which precipitated its resignation was the pressure of the Anglo-American united front and the miscarriage of the peace movement.

The resignation of the Cabinet reflected Japan's present adverse military, diplomatic and domestic situation.—Central News.

LONDON COMMENTS

The evening papers make a feature of the resignation of the Japanese Cabinet under such headings as: "Fascism Defeats Japanese Premier," but as yet there has been no editorial comment.

Japanese circles in London much regret Prince Konohe's resignation, saying that on the whole he held the balance fairly, and resisted the worst demands of the extreme militarists, especially after the fall of Hankow.

Disappointment in the complete failure of his peace offer to China, to which he is believed to have pinned great hopes, was probably the main straw inducing Prince Konohe to resign.

Baron Hirokuma, who is expected to succeed Prince Konohe, is described as an ultra nationalist of the most extreme type, unpopular in Japan.

Mr. Ikeda's disappearance is much regretted, as he is generally regarded as a most able Finance Minister, and anxiety is felt in London as to who will succeed him.

It is predicted that the two great Japanese political parties, the Seiyukai and Minseito, will fight violently, as they did in the autumn of 1936 and the spring of 1937, against the Army chiefs' plans for the formation of a new party on Fascist lines, which, in effect, would reduce the Diet to a rubber stamp Assembly.

It is thought that the political parties will have the support of the Japanese people in this fight.

Observers do not expect the new Ministry to last long.

Chinese opinion, expressed to "Reuters," was as follows: "It makes no difference to us who is in power in Tokyo. We fight on just the same, but it is possible that a more extreme Japanese Government is better for us, because it will hasten the chances of a popular revolt in Japan."

NEW CABINET OF FASCISTS IS ANNOUNCED.
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response to a call from Baron Hirokuma, visited the headquarters for the formation of the Cabinet at 9.20 a.m.

While consenting to retain his post in the new Cabinet, General Itagaki, on behalf of the Army, it is understood, made the following requests to the Premier:

(1) The policies for settling the China incident which has been established as the result of the Imperial Conference, especially the principles for adjusting relations with China which were enunciated on December 22, should be pursued in toto by the new Cabinet.

(2) Efforts be made by the new Cabinet to establish plans for national defence in coping with the urgent situation in East Asia as well as to replenish and perfect armament.

(3) The relations between Japan, Germany and Italy be brought closer and further strengthened.

(4) The system for the general mobilization of the nation be solidified and the Planning Board of the Cabinet be strengthened.

(5) The productive capacity of the nation be expanded to a degree.

(6) The spirit and vigour of the nation be enhanced.

(7) Foreign trade be promoted.—Domei.

MOTOR CAR STOLEN
Disappears from Outside Majestic Theatre

Mr. W. R. E. Stevenson, of the Government Audit Department, reports that his car No. 4394 was stolen from outside the Majestic Theatre on Tuesday night.

THEFTS FROM CARS
Clothing valued at \$76 was stolen from a car belonging to Chiu Wang Yip of Connaught Road West, while it was parked in Hill Road on Tuesday.

Sentence of three weeks' hard labour was imposed by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday on Leung Chuen 17, unemployed, who pleaded guilty to charge of stealing an electric motor horn valued \$5 from car No. 1273 in Tang Lung Street at 7.50 p.m. on Tuesday.

HOCKEY MATCH
The Hongkong Hockey Club beat the Navy 2-0 at King's Park yesterday. N. Whitley scored first for the Club early in the first half and S. Fowler increased the lead in the latter stages.

Standard Plan For A.R.P. Trenches

The future of A.R.P. trenches dug during the crisis was the subject of a statement by Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal, in the Commons recently.

A standard plan, with general specification and bill of quantities, had been prepared, he said, and he was communicating immediately with all local authorities so that they could proceed at once.

If they carried out the work according to this plan expenditure would rank for a grant.

The work of making the trenches permanent and weatherproof has been held up throughout the country pending the Government's decision.

Use of steel and concrete has been approved in the standard specification for making the shelters permanent.

Inquiries in the steel industry have been made and the Home Office has been assured that necessary supplies of corrugated, bituminized sheets and steel arches could be maintained without interference with the steel requirements of the rearmament programme.

CHILDREN FIRST
Government proposals for civilian evacuation in time of war will put the protection of children first.

They are to be evacuated school by school, with their teachers, and plans are being devised to continue their education in the centres of safety where they will be accommodated.

This was the principal point made by three Cabinet Ministers recently at a private conference which was attended by about 50 representatives of local authorities and teachers' organisations.

The Ministry of Health will be the executive department in charge of evacuation, and Mr. F. Elliot, the Minister, has already appointed an "Evacuation Division."

The cost of evacuation will be a Government responsibility.

Social Items

The wedding took place on Tuesday at the Registry before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, of Mr. Robert Froese, chemist, and Miss Emma Margaret Seidel, who has been residing at the Kowloon Hotel. The witnesses were Dr. B. Adamczewski and Mr. H. Pielcke.

The wedding took place yesterday before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry, between Mr. Tan Chun-lin, Professor of Political Science at the Lingnan University, Canton, and Miss Kuo Li-hua, editor of the Pacific Digest. The witnesses were Mrs. Liu Wan-ngok, and Mr. Tam Sul-tong.

The Sunday School children of the Kowloon Union Church had a most enjoyable time yesterday afternoon, when a Christmas Party was held in the Church Hall. There were games and songs, and tea later in the afternoon.

A lecture will be given by Mr. A. L. Fisher in St. Andrew's Church Hall on Thursday, January 26, commencing at 9 p.m. His subject will be "Around the World with a Movie Camera."

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SENTECED TO DIE
In the electric chair at Cincinnati, Ohio, on Wednesday, Mrs. Anna Hahn offered her eyes to a blind priest or nun.

Mrs. Hahn, who is 31, was convicted of poisoning Richard Wagner, aged 70.

The prosecution also linked her name with 11 other murders.

SON PLEADS
Mrs. Hahn's 15-years-old son, Oscar, visited her in Ohio State Prison. He pleaded for five minutes with the Governor's secretary later for clemency for his mother.

LATE NEWS

CRYING BABY WHO STARVED TO DEATH
PEOPLE mind their own business in Trinity road, Tooting.

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None of the five other people in the house ever heard anything either.

Then telegrams began to arrive for Mrs. Dolly Brown. Mrs. Landes tried to deliver them, but the door of the flat was locked.

So eventually they sent for the police. The police broke open the door of Mrs. Brown's flat. They found her dead in bed.

In a cot beside her was her four months' old baby girl. She, too, was dead.

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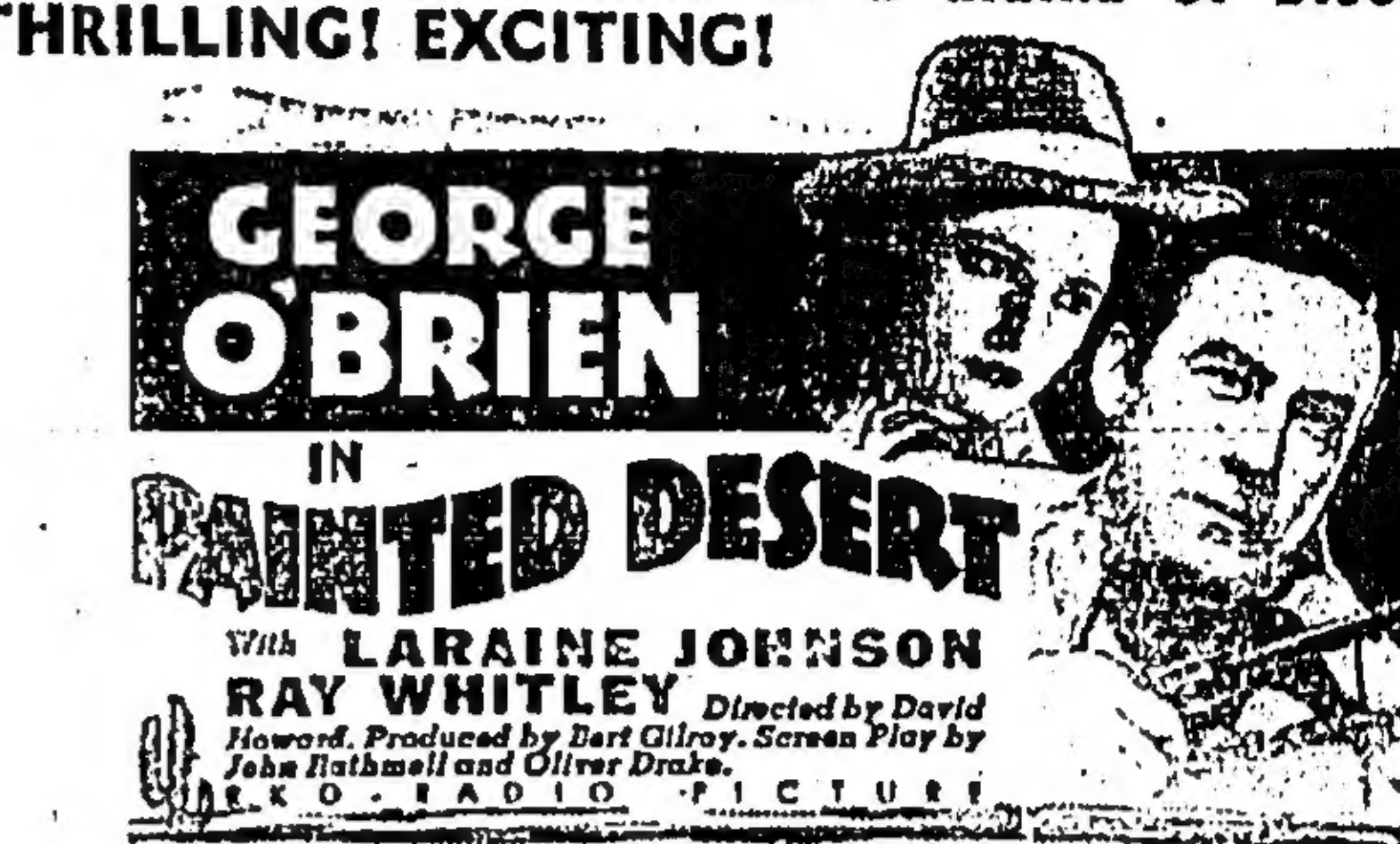
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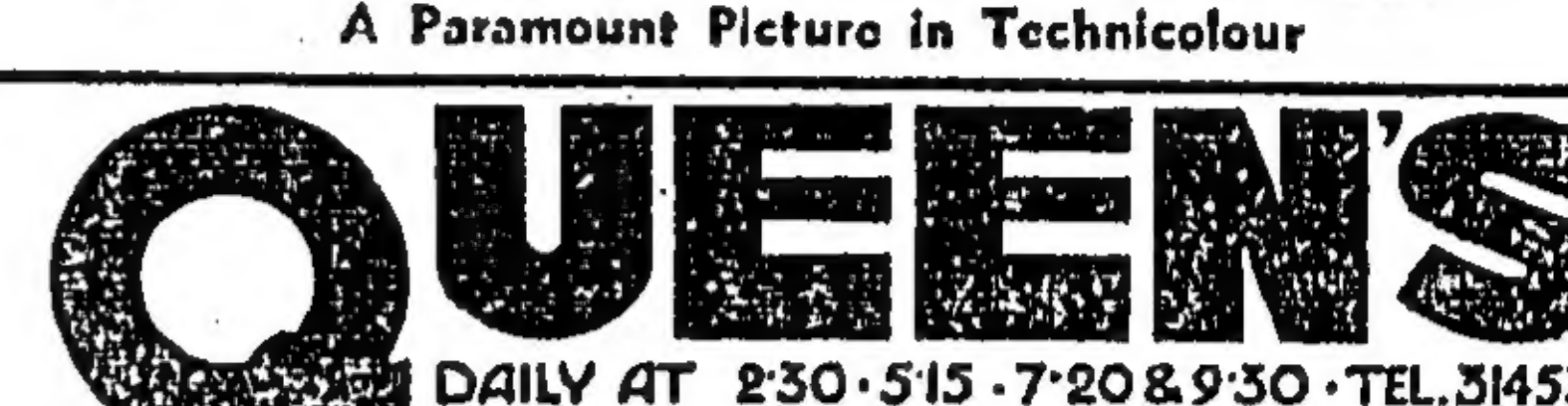
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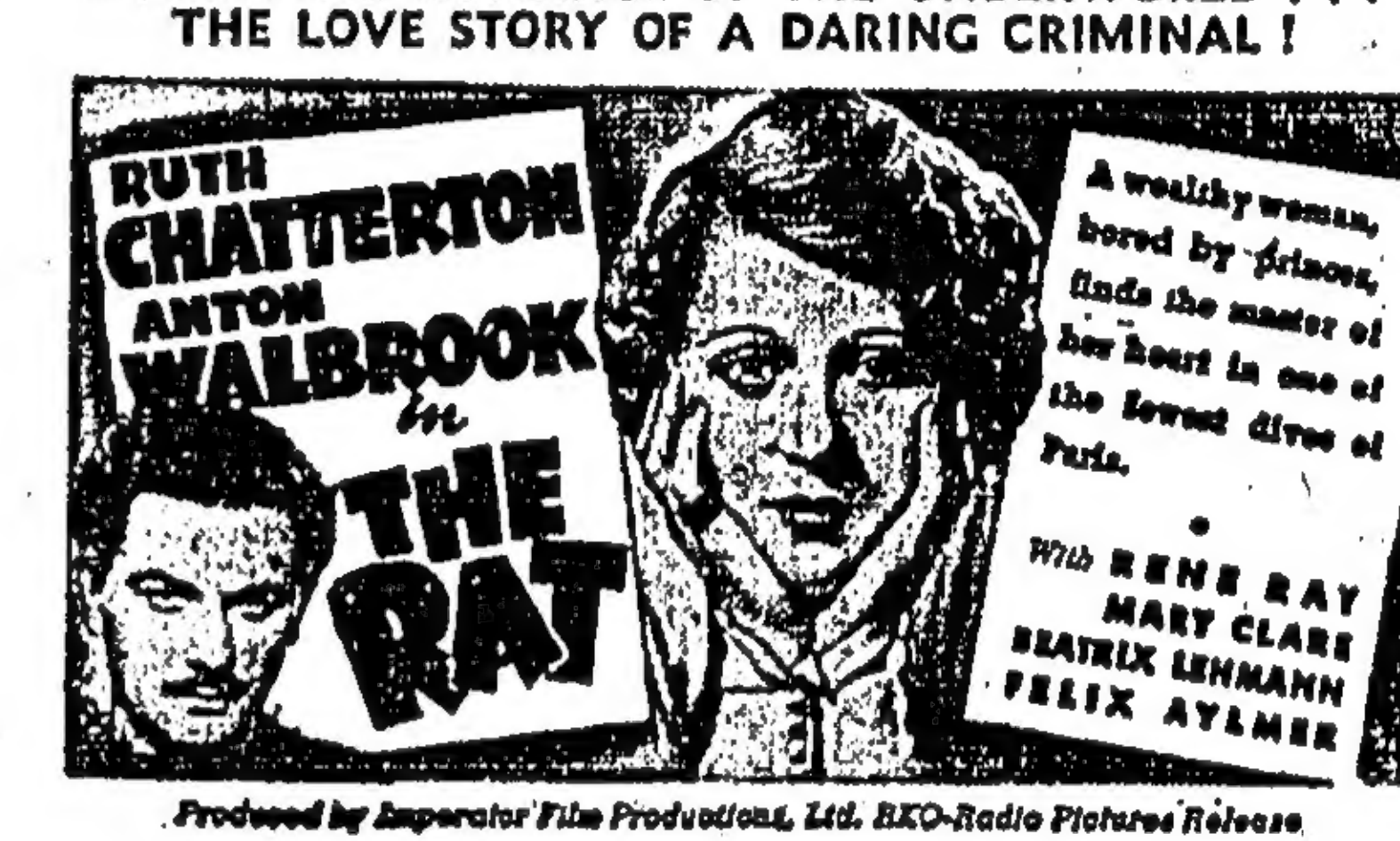
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